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THEME: "Every Member A Minister, Every Member A Missionary."

BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Carolina

2004

Rev. Orborn Gibson

July 21, 1921 - September 26, 2003

This 2004 Annual of the Bladen Baptist Association is loving dedicated to the memory of Rev. Orborn Gibson who pastored Grace Baptist Church, Bladenboro, NC from November, 1957 until he went home to be with the Lord on September 26, 2003. He was not only pastor of the Church, he was also their friend. Rev. Gibson, the "Cotton Patch Preacher" served the church as full-time, but also was a plumber during the earlier years of his ministry. He worked for twenty four years for Bladen Hardware before going into business for himself. An article in the Bladen Journal which celebrated Rev. Gibson's forty-fifth year as pastor of Grace Baptist stated, "He was so well known and trusted around the county that many people told him where they kept the key to their homes so he could work there without anyone being at home to let him in."

Rev. Gibson also served the Love Grove Baptist Church in Tar Heel for 18 of the years he was at Grace. He had a deep love for the Lord, a profound respect for His Word, a genuine love for all people, and a wonderful sense of humor. As his Director of Missions I will always fondly remember the times he would stop by the Association Office to share how the Lord had blessed in the worship services at Grace Baptist. Though he was old in body during the later years, he was still young in heart and spirit. Even though he would need help at times to get around physically, when he was sharing how God had blessed him, he was very young and strong. He would always say, "Let me tell you how the Lord blessed us yesterday." He would then share how God had worked in the services and would often deliver a portion of the sermon he had preached that past Sunday.

We will never forget Rev. Gibson and will always cherish the memories we have of him.

2004 ANNUAL
BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
of
NORTH CAROLINA
ONE HUNDRED-THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

Held With
Galeed Baptist Church
October 25, 2004

and

Northside Baptist Church
October 26, 2004

2005 ANNUAL SESSION WILL BE HELD AT:

Friendship Baptist Church
October 24, 2005

and

Whites Creek Baptist Church
October 25, 2005

Preacher: Rev. David Elks

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One Hundred-Thirteenth Annual Session
of the
BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
October 25, 2004 - October 26, 2004

Theme: Every Member a Minister, Every Member a Missionary

MONDAY EVENING - OCTOBER 25, 2004
Galeed Baptist Church

The One Hundred-Thirteenth Annual Session of the Bladen Baptist Association met at Galeed Baptist Church at 5:45p.m. with dinner for the pastors, spouses and guests. The Galeed Youth and Young Adult Choir presented a prelude concert prior to the opening session. Rev. Bud Parrish, host pastor, welcomed the messengers, pastors and guests to the session and opened with prayer. Rev. Mike Smith reported on the Honduras Shoebox and Medical Mission Trip. DOM reported on the December 2, 2004 Medical trip to Honduras and the fact that medical supplies have been shipped for the trip.

Rev. Richard Smith, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and the congregation sang the hymn, "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" with Jason Atkinson, Music Director, leading. Rev. Mike Smith, Associate Pastor, led in prayer and the hymn, "More Precious Than Silver" was sung.

ORGANIZATIONS:

ENROLLMENT OF MESSENGERS: The Clerk made a motion that these and any other messengers who might register later constitute the One Hundred-Thirteenth Annual Session of the Bladen Baptist Association. There were forty four (44) messengers, seventeen (17) pastors and thirty-four(34) guest, making a total of ninety-five (95) present. The motion received a second and passed.

ADOPTION OF PROGRAM: Rev. Walter Hayes made a motion for the adoption of the program and was approved as printed in the Book of Reports.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MINISTERS: DOM Bruce Cannon introduced the new ministers as follows: Rev. Tom Leonard, Interim at Bethel; Rev. David Rutland, Interim at Butters; Rev. Greg Packer, Grace; Rev. Charles Brust, Hickory Grove; Dr. Darryl Covington, White Oak; and Rev. Darin Andrews who is associate pastor at New Beginnings. He also introduced guest Mr. Toby Frost with the NAMB Evangelism Dept. and Rev. Mark Gaskins, Chaplain at Wingate University. Rev. Gaskins brought greetings from Wingate. He thanked the association for their contributions to the university.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: DOM Cannon introduced Rev. Larry Hayes, Good News Baptist Church, Bladenboro and several of his members who were visiting the session. Good News Baptist Church has requested membership into the Bladen Baptist Association. The letter of request will be read at the session on Tuesday and will come under the watch care of the association for one year.

DOM recognized the congregation of Grace Baptist Church for honoring their pastor, Rev. Orborn Gibson, who had served them for 46 years, from years 1957-2003. DOM Cannon made a request that the association dedicate the next Bladen Baptist Association Annual to the memory of Rev. Orborn Gibson. Rev. Currie Long made the motion and it was approved.

DOM Cannon said that he had certificates from the International Mission Board for two of our churches in the association for their top giving 2003 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. They are Sandy Grove and Elizabethtown Baptist Church. The certificates will be presented to the churches at a later date.

Moderator Smith made the following appointments: Preacher & Place Committee: Rev. Kincy Barrow and Rev. Walter Hayes. Resolutions Committee: Rev. Boyd Britt, Rev. Chad Ivester and Mr. Gene Smith.

Moderator Smith directed to the By Laws Committee to report back to the executive session in January the following concerns: Article 13 of the Constitution and 17 of the By Laws. He stated there were some items of concern that needed some attention.

Rev. Bud Parrish introduced Mr. Toby Frost, NAMB Mass Evangelism Department for the delivery of the Theme Emphasis: "Every Member a Minister, Every Member A Missionary". Mr. Frost read scripture from Mark 6.

There was a musical interlude led by Mrs. Betsy Smith, Choir Director at Galeed. The Galeed Baptist Church Choir sang three selections led by Mrs. Smith.

The call to worship began with the congregation singing the hymn, "Praise Him, Praise Him." Rev. Bud Parrish brought the annual sermon. The scripture was taken from Acts 3 & 4 and the title of the sermon was "How to Have a Politically Incorrect Church."

The session was recessed at 8:45 P.M. with the congregation singing the hymn, "Let Others See Jesus In You." A prayer of thanksgiving was given.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 26, 2004
Northside Baptist Church

The One Hundred-Thirteenth Annual Session of the Bladen Baptist Association reconvened at 3:00 p.m. at Northside Baptist Church with Moderator Richard Smith presiding. The pastor of the host church, Rev. Scott Lewis, welcomed everyone, read scripture from Luke 8 and led in prayer. Special Music was rendered by Mr. Scott Collins and Mr. Joey Dockery singing "There is A River".

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT: DOM Cannon gave the following report: See page 30 Book of Reports. He expressed his appreciation for all the work done in the associational churches and for their pastors. He reported on the Bible studies that was being held at the county schools and that there were over 3,000 young people who attended the "See You At The Poles" last September. There were several young people who accepted Christ as their Savior. He also expressed his appreciation for all the mission work that is being carried on within the churches. Bladen Changers were at work during the summer. Shoe Boxes are on the way to Honduras at this time. There will be tracts placed inside the boxes in the language of the Honduras people. He also asked for prayer for the Medical Team who will going to Honduras on December 2, 2004.

DOM present Mr. Ewin Davis a plaque for his service as the Baptist Men Director from 1981 until 2003. He expounded on Mr. Davis' involvement with many projects during the years. The plaque read: "For your many years of outstanding Christian service to the Bladen Baptist Association as Baptist Men Director 1981 - 2004." Mr. Davis expressed some words of thanks for the recognition.

The Chorus, "People Need The Lord" was sung by the congregation. Mrs. Haley Cheshire served as pianist and Mr. Greg Johnson led in the singing. The Moderator called for the Division Reports:

DIVISIONS REPORTS:

WMU: Mrs. Glenda Ward presents the report. See page 32 Book of Reports.

BAPTIST MEN: Mr. Thurman Bass reported. See page 33 Book of Reports. He noted a change in the report where the Volunteer Missions Banquet will be on January 15, 2005 at 6:30 P.M. instead of November 13, 2004. The banquet will be held at Center Roads Baptist Church.

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING: Mrs. Etta Smith gave the report. See page 32 Book of Reports. In addition, Mrs. Smith reported that M-Night would be November 22, 2004 at Hickory Grove Church at 7:15 and Mrs. Phyllis Elvington would be speaking. There are four churches now working on Bible Drills.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: DOM Bruce Cannon reported: See page 31 Book of Reports.

MUSIC: DOM Cannon reported in absence of Mr. Jason Atkinson. See page 34 Book of Reports.

MISSIONS DEVELOPMENT/LEISURE MINISTRY: Rev. Walter Hayes reported. See pages 35-36 Book of Reports.

YOUTH REPORT: Rev. Darin Andrews reported: He also reported on the rally that was held at West Bladen High School. He said that a 16 year old brought the message and challenged his classmates to tell people about Jesus Christ. He said that at least 500 were in attendance. He told of the mission trip the young people took and building of the church.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME: Mrs. Brenda Gray, North Carolina Baptist Children's Home gave her report and shared examples of the children they were helping. She also thanked all the churches for all the contributions to the Children's Home. See pages 39 & 40 Book of Reports.

CONVENTION REPORT: Rev. Chris Schofield, Prayer Evangelism, BSCNC gave the convention report. He read scripture from Acts 4:31. He also thanked the association for their partnership with the State Baptist Convention and for the gifts.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: Rev. Cameron McGill made a motion that the Bladen Baptist Association set a goal of 10 miles a penny for the Baptist Children's Homes. The motion received a second and was approved with a unanimous vote.

The evening worship services began with the singing of the hymn, "Have Faith In God". Rev. Richard Smith delivered the Moderator's Message reading from John 14, after which the congregation sang the hymn "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms".

After the benediction the Bladen Baptist Associational Session was recessed for dinner which was served by the host church at 6:00 P.M.

TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 26, 2004
Northside Baptist Church

The evening session re-convened at 7:00 P.M. with Moderator Richard Smith calling the meeting to order. The call to worship began with the congregation singing the hymn, "Brethren, We Have Met To Worship".

REMEMBRANCE: Mrs. Thelma Barnes read the names of the members deceased during the past year. She lit a candle and read a poem in their memory. See page 52 Book of Reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EVANGELISM: DOM Cannon reported. He read scripture from Acts 2. See page 34 Book of Reports.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: DOM Cannon presented the officers, program leaders and committees. See pages 3, 4, 5 & 6 Book of Reports. The changes are as follows: **Evangelism**, Rev. Warren Hill, Chairman taken off and replaced with Dr. Darryl Covington. **Sunday School**, Dr. Michael Thompson taken off (vacancy created) DOM presented the list in the form of a motion. The presentation was approved with no opposition.

FINANCE: Mrs. Ella Rae Roberts presented the report in the form of a motion of acceptance. See pages 55-58 Book of Reports. The motion carried with no opposition.

HISTORIAN: Mr. Gene Smith presented the report. See page 37 Book of Reports.

PLACE AND PREACHER: Mr. Kency Barrow presented in form of a motion: October 24-25, 2005 Place: Friendship on Monday and Whites Creek on Tuesday: Preacher: Dr.

David Elks. Alternate: Rev. Lorenzo Torres. The motion carried with no opposition.

RESOLUTIONS: Mr. Gene Smith presented the following resolution: "We the messengers of the 2004 One-Hundred Thirteenth Annual Session of the Bladen Baptist Association thank the leadership and members of Galeed Baptist Church and Northside Baptist Church for their hospitality and gracious food. We also thank our associational leaders for the excellent program which provided a meaningful celebration of our work together." Submitted by: Rev. Boyd Britt, Rev. Chad Ivester and Mr. Gene Smith. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

DOM presented the request for membership into the Bladen Baptist Association from Good News Baptist Church. Rev. Charles Brust made a motion that we accept them under the watch care of the Association. Rev. Darin Andrews seconded the motion and it was approved with no opposition.

WATCH CARE COMMITTEE: A committee was appointed by the Moderator to work with Good News Church as follows: Richard Smith, Boyd Britt, Ethelene Barnes, Scott Lewis, Virginia Gause, Walter Hayes & Etta Smith.

DOM passed out a flier about PVM (Pursuing Vital Ministry). This is an effort by the convention to help churches make every effort to do God's work for the church. The will be a pastor's awareness session at White Lake Baptist Church on November 2, 2004, 10:00 until 1:00 P.M.

The evening worship service began with the congregation singing the hymn, "Victory In Jesus". Rev. Scott Lewis, host pastor, read scripture from Acts 22 and led in prayer. The message was brought by Rev. Chris Schofield, Prayer Evangelism Strategies, BSCNC.

Session closed at 8:30 with hymn, "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus". Moderator closed in prayer.

Submitted by:
Richard Smith, Moderator
Virginia W. Gause, Clerk

MESSENGERS TO ASSOCIATION
2004

ABBOTTSBURG--Mrs. Brenda Jackson, Mrs. Jane Thompson, Rev. Dewey Jackson
BEARDS CHAPEL--Ms. Thelma Barnes, Mrs. Lois Smith, Rev. Bobby Trott
BETHEL--Mrs. Betty Ray Brisson, Mr. M.A. Brisson, Mrs. Ceceile Bryan, Ms. Louise Bryan, Ms. Margie Bordeaux, Ms. Catherine DeVane, Mrs. Diana Roberts, Rev. Tom Leonard
BLADENBORO, FIRST--Ms. Martilla Freeman, Ms. Nettie Vann Fussell, Ms. Nancy Hester, Ms. Myrtle Lockamy, Ms. Glenda Ward, Rev. Bert Young
BRIAR BRANCH--Ms. Shirley Powell, Mrs. Angela Smith, Mrs. Katie Smith, Mr.Troy Smith
BUTTERS--Mrs. Grace Parnell, Mrs. Mary Spence
CENTER ROAD--Mr. Warren Dowless, Mr. Winford Evers, Mrs. Margie Evers, Mr. Sam Pait, Mrs. JoAnn Pait, Rev. J. Vernon Britt
CHRIST COMMUNITY--Mrs. Lynn Warren, Rev. Leon Warren
CLARKTON, FIRST--Mrs. Frances Dawson, Mr. Howard Elkins, Mrs. Judy Elkins, Mrs. Greta Jackson
COUNCIL -- Mrs. Bonny Cox, Mrs. Princie McDuffie, Mrs. Janice Saxon, Rev. Jack Miller
CYPRESS CREEK -- Mrs. Lucille Smith, Mrs. Mittie Smith, Rev. Richard Smith
DUBLIN FIRST -- Dr. R.L. Summerlin, Ms. Lucille Andrews, Mrs. Peggy Hill, Rev. Cameron McGill
ELIZABETHTOWN -- Mr. Harvey Bedsole, Dr. David Elks
FAITH -- Mr. James Dew, Mr. Charles Rice, Rev. Larry West
FRIENDSHIP -- Mrs. Jackie Wilkins, Rev. Ray Wilkins
GALEED -- Rev. Mike Smith, Mrs. Alice Conner, Mr. H.C. Edwards, Mrs. Florence Suggs, Rev. Bud Parrish
GOOD SHEPHERD -- Rev. Lorenzo Torres
GRACE -- Mrs. Ellen Bullard, Mrs. Mary Walters, Rev. Greg Packer
HICKORY GROVE -- Mr. Franklin Allen, Mrs. Gretchen Allen, Mr. Leo Hester, Rev. Charles Brust
LISBON -- Mrs. Virginia Gause, Ms. Annie Sasser, Rev. Chad Ivester
LOVE GROVE -- Mrs. Ann Lee, Mrs. Cheryl West, Mr. Eddie West, Rev. Randy Andrews
NEW BEGINNINGS -- Mr. Darin Andrews, Ms. Ann Cashwell, Rev. Steve Butler
NEW CENTER -- Mr. L.T. Brown, Mr. Tom Ellis, Rev. George Langley
NORTHSIDE -- Mrs. Hilda Hester, Mr. Floyd McKnight, Mr. Kay Meismer, Mr. Ray Porter, Rev. Scott Lewis
PEACE -- Rev. Buddy Cain
RICHARDSON -- Mr. Tom Bryant, Mr. Chris Merritt, Mr. Gerald Nance, Mr. Shelton Strickland, Mr. David Wilkins, Rev. Richard Mabe
RIVERSIDE -- Mrs. Bessie Evans, Mr. Joe Evans, Mrs. Faye Evans, Mr. Frank Evans, Mrs. Joanne Long, Rev. Currie Long
SANDY GROVE -- Mrs. Ruth Carson, Mrs. Nellie Kinlaw, Mrs. Katie Adams, Mr. Charles Adams
SHADY GROVE -- Mr. Alfred Edwards, Mr. Douglas Thompson, Rev. Michael Skinner
SUGGS GROVE -- Mrs. Pait Bragg, Ms. Margaret Edge, Mrs. Reba Edge, Ms. Marlene Smith, Ms. Jean Tew
TAR HEEL -- Mr. George Council, Rev. Mark Smith
WEST BLADENBORO -- Mr. Gene Norton, Rev. Boyd Britt
WHITE LAKE -- Mr. Bill Davis, Rev. Walter Hayes
WHITE OAK -- Mr. Harold Cordle, Mr. Steve Hester, Rev. Daryl Covington
WHITES CREEK -- Mrs. Linda Sponseller, Mrs. Terri Stanley, Rev. Kincy Barrow
ZION HILL -- Mr. Earl Brown, Mrs. Louise Butler, Mr. William Butler, Mr. Kendrick Hester, Ms. Gladysteen Pait, Rev. W.C. Baxley

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(Or Pianist if no Organist)

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BEARDS CHAPEL--Mrs. Faye Barnes, 910-588-4896
BETHEL--Mrs. Frankie Roberts, 910-866-4258
BLADENBORO, FIRST--Mrs. Susan M. Kelly, 910-863-3436
BRIAR BRANCH--Mrs. Elaine Dickens, 910-588-4867
BUTTERS--Mr. Murray Bishop, 910-863-3470
CENTER ROAD--Mrs. Geri Anderson, 910-863-3209
CHRIST COMMUNITY
CLARKTON, FIRST--Dr. John Hall, 910-645-4620
COUNCIL--Mrs. Doris Williams, 910-669-2574
CYPRESS CREEK--Mrs. Jennifer Coble, 910-588-4698
DUBLIN, FIRST--Mrs. Estelle Summerlin, 910-862-2020
ELIZABETHTOWN--Mrs. Betty C. Womble, 910-862-3244
FAITH--Ms. Melissa Todd, 910-866-5483
FRIENDSHIP--Mrs. Margaret Williams, 910-588-4462
GALEED--Mr. Greg Lennon, 910-863-4595
GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION--Rev. Lorenzo Torres, 910-862-3268
GRACE--Mrs. Patricia McKeithan, 910-863-3692
HICKORY GROVE--Mrs. Deborah A. Hester, 910-863-4623
LISBON--Mrs. Virginia Gause, 910-645-4181
LOVE GROVE--Mrs. Katherine Baxley, 910-866-4566
NEW BEGINNINGS
NEW CENTER--Mrs. Phyllis McCormick, 910-648-2229
NORTHSIDE--Mrs. Doretta Lennon, 910-863-4432
PEACE--Mr. Wilbur Allen, 910-863-3361
RICHARDSON--Mrs. Debbie Davis, 910-863-4316
RIVERSIDE--Mrs. Patsy McLaney, 910-532-6363
SANDY GROVE--Mrs. Darlene J. Cain, 910-648-4806
SHADY GROVE--Mrs. Sherry Britt, 910-648-2385
SUGGS GROVE--Mrs. Connie Tew, 910-484-2023
TAR HEEL--Miss Vivian Wilson, 910-862-6266
WEST BLADENBORO--Mrs. Camilla Pait, 910-863-3349-
WHITE LAKE--Mr. Dennis Dagenhart, 910-862-2302
WHITE OAK-- Mrs. Shirley Burney-Klee, 910-879-0096
WHITES CREEK--Ms. Devona H. Beard, 910-645-4840
ZION HILL--Mrs. Lisa Hester, 910-863-3135

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF
BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME: The name of this body shall be Bladen Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II - MISSION: It is the Mission of this body to provide opportunity to member churches affiliated with it for cooperative efforts in carrying out the evangelistic and ministry directives of Jesus Christ; further to encourage and assist, when possible, each member church in doing the same.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP: The Association shall consist of messengers and executive committee members who are members of the affiliated churches as follows:

1. Each church of fifty (50) members or less shall be entitled to three messengers, and for each additional fifty (50) members an additional messenger, provided that no church shall have more than five (5) lay messengers active and voting at one time. Each church shall be entitled to an equal number of alternate messengers who shall serve in the absence of the messengers. The messengers who compose the Association must come from churches that believe in practicing New Testament doctrine as set forth in *The Baptist Faith and Message*.

1. Each church shall be entitled to one executive member and senior pastor to serve as set forth in Article IV.
2. The Pastors
3. The elected officers of the Association.

ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE BOARD: The Executive Board shall consist of the officers of the Association, together with a pastor and a layman from each affiliated church. The Executive Board is charged with the duty of executing the plans and decisions of the Association and the employment and direction of the Associational Director of Missions. A full report of its work shall be presented at each Fall Session, together with plans and recommendations for the promotion and extension of the work of the Association. The Executive Board shall act for the Association between sessions in conformity with the expressed decisions of the body. A vacancy occurring between sessions may be filled for the remainder of the year as set forth in Article VI (1) (c) of this constitution.

ARTICLE V - AFFILIATED CHURCHES: A Missionary Baptist Church desiring fellowship in the Association may submit a written request for membership at a Fall session, and may be received under the watchcare of the Association for a period of time to the next ensuing Fall Session, and then upon recommendation of the Committee On Membership, such church may be received as a member by two-thirds favorable vote of the duly qualified messengers in attendance at such session.

Any member church in good standing shall be entitled to a letter of dismissal and recommendation to another similar body. Such letter may be from the Association in session or by the Executive Board between sessions.

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS:

(1) The Executive Officers of the Bladen Baptist Association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer. Other officers shall be stewardship director and historian.

(a) Officers shall be approved at the April Executive Committee meeting and duly elected at the annual meeting. Nominees will be presented by the nominating committee or from the floor. All nominations must be with the prior consent of the nominee. They shall serve for one year beginning at the close of the annual meeting and ending at the close of the next.

(b) A qualified parliamentarian, well versed in Robert's Rules of Order, shall be appointed by the moderator during his term of office.

(c) If the office of Moderator becomes vacant, the vice-moderator shall become moderator for the rest of that term. Other vacancies in associational offices shall be filled by the Executive Committee on recommendation of the Nominating Committee or from the floor, with prior consent of the nominee(s).

(d) A Moderator shall not serve more than two years in succession.

ARTICLE VII - DIVISION DIRECTORS

(1) A Division Director shall be approved by the Executive Committee during its April Meeting and duly elected at the annual meeting, for Sunday School, Discipleship Training, WMU, Brotherhood, Evangelism, Music, Seminary Extension, Church Media, Missions Development, Leisure Ministry, youth, and other organizations which may be added by the Association. Nominations may be presented by the Nominating Committee or from the floor with the prior consent of the nominee(s).

(a) The Division Director will begin serving in October following election but will be responsible for planning the program and budget for year under his/her direction.

(b) Each Director will select workers for that area and present them to the Nominating Committee for approval prior to the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee will then present the workers to the Association for approval at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - ASSOCIATIONAL COUNCIL: The Associational Council shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Directors of each division. The staff members of the Associations shall serve in an ex-officio capacity. The Associational Council shall serve in an advisory capacity to assist in planning, promoting, guiding, and calendar planning for the total Associational Program. It will meet regularly prior to each Executive Board Meeting and Annual Session. It will consider, review, and/or prepare recommendations concerning the Associational Program for action by the Executive Board and/or Association.

ARTICLE IX - COMMITTEES:

(1) Standing Committees shall be as follows and others may be added as deemed necessary by the Executive Board or Association. They are to be nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected at the Annual Meeting:

Nominations	Constitution	Ordination
Membership	The Office Building and Grounds	
Finance	DOM Relations	

(2) Associational Committees: The Moderator shall appoint the following committees at the July Executive Board Meeting: (a) Committee on Place and Preacher for the following year, (b) Committee on Resolutions, (c) Committee on Enrollment, (d) Membership Committee, if needed, and (e) any other committees which may be authorized by the Association. These committees shall report during the annual session

ARTICLE X - PROCEDURE: The business of the Association shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order, unless otherwise provided for in the Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENT: This Constitution may be amended at any session of the Association by a two-thirds vote, provided: the amendment has been presented in writing at an Executive Board meeting prior to Annual Session, and read to the Association the first day of Annual Session, to be voted on the second day.

ARTICLE XII - ADOPTION: Upon adoption, this constitution shall become effective at the close of this session of the Bladen Baptist Association.

BY-LAWS
OF
BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

I. NAME

The name of this body shall be Bladen Baptist Association as set forth in Article I of the attached constitution. The location shall be Elizabethtown, Bladen County, North Carolina.

II. FAITH

This Baptist association accepts the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament as our rule of faith and practice. It affirms the doctrinal positions set forth in *The Baptist Faith and Message*, and hereby incorporates that statement into these bylaws.

III. PURPOSE

As set forth in Article II of the attached constitution.

IV. POLITY AND RELATIONSHIPS

The government of this association is vested in the members who compose it. It is subject to the control of no other ecclesiastical or political body or bodies.

We realize there is mutual helpfulness in working with other associations of like faith and practice as to encourage the spirit of fellowship and good will. We also recognize that there have been devised, through the voluntary cooperation of churches of like faith and order, organizations whose purpose it is to implement the missionary, educational and benevolent interests and obligations of this association and its affiliated churches. Believing that the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention are organizations which have as their sole purpose the promotion and support of missions; education and benevolence of the character and in keeping with the spirit of the Bylaws and Constitution of this association, we therefore voluntarily agree to participate in the programs and ministries of these organizations.

V. MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATION

Section A: Requirement and Procedure

Membership will be as set forth in Article III and IV of attached Constitution of this body, namely the Bladen Baptist Association.

Section B: Duties of Affiliated Churches

1. *Cooperation* Any church affiliated with this body shall support the same financially and be sympathetic with the purpose and mission of this body. Any voting member of this body must first be a member of an affiliated church.

2. *Provide Annual Church Profile (ACP).* Each affiliated church shall send to the clerk of the Association fourteen (14) days prior to the Fall Session of the Association, on forms furnished by the Clerk, a full report of the church work for the year ending September 30th.

Section C: Rights of Affiliation and Membership

1. Each affiliated church has a right to be represented by messengers or executive committee members as set forth in article III and IV of attached constitution of this body, who in turn shall have the right to vote on all matters brought before this association.

2. Any member of an affiliated church is eligible for consideration by the membership of the association for nomination to any elective office in the association.

Section D: Termination of Affiliation

Church affiliation with this association may be terminated in the following ways:

1. By the affiliated church's request. The affiliated church may write a letter of request that its affiliation with Bladen Baptist Association be terminated. Such termination shall be effective as of the date the request is received and approved.

2. By exclusion. The association, after due notice and a reasonable opportunity for hearing and kindly efforts to make such action unnecessary, may terminate the affiliation of churches who fail to be supportive financially or fail to be sympathetic with the doctrine and purpose of this association.

VI.MEETINGS

Section A: Business.

Quorum. 12 affiliated churches represented by voting messenger(s) or executive board members shall constitute a quorum

1. Annual Sessions of the Association shall be held on Monday evening and Tuesday afternoon and evening following the fourth Sunday in October.
2. Quarterly Sessions: The Executive Board shall meet on Tuesday following the third Sunday of January, April, and July.
3. Special meetings may be called by the moderator or the director of missions provided one week advanced notice is given to the affiliated churches.

Section B: Procedure.

All meetings of the Association shall be opened with a devotional service followed by the order of business or agenda and closed with prayer. *An order of business shall be adopted at the beginning of each annual session which shall be changed only by a two-thirds vote of the body.*

Section C: The Associational Year

The Associational year and reports shall cover October 1st through September 30th. The fiscal year shall be January 1st through December 31st.

VII. OFFICERS:

Section A. Generally

Executive Officers of the association shall be Moderator, vice-moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer. Other officers shall be stewardship director, historian and such others as the association shall determine. For all such officers the association shall establish and set forth in the bylaws, their means of selection and duties. All officers must be members in good standing of an affiliated church and serve at the pleasure of the association.

1. Duties of Executive Officers

a. Function as Board of Directors. The currently serving Executive Officers shall meet and acting together, constitute the Board of Directors of Bladen Baptist Association. Such Board of Directors shall change by and in the same procedure as Executive officers change. In their capacity as directors, they shall have the duties and responsibilities attendant to Directors, subject however to the limitation set forth in the charter bylaws and constitution. The Directors shall not have power, except as expressly authorized by the association, to purchase or sell or encumber any real or personal property, to install or remove officers or staff, to amend the Charter, bylaws or constitution, or to bind the corporation to any contract.

b. Corporate Officers. The Moderator shall, whenever required by law or practice, serve as the President of the Corporation, having however only such express powers as are granted by the association, and having no power absent such express authorization to bind the corporation in any matter or act for it. In a similar manner and subject to the same limitations, the Vice-Moderator shall be authorized to act as the Vice-President.

Section B. Moderator.

The Moderator shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually as set forth in article VI of the attached constitution.

The Moderator shall preside at all meetings of the Association. He/She shall be a member of the Executive Board, and as opportunity may permit, shall act as fraternal visitor to the churches throughout the year, representing the fellowship of the entire association.

Section C. Vice-Moderator.

The Vice-Moderator shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually as set forth in article VI of the attached constitution. The Vice-Moderator shall preside in the absence of the moderator. He/She shall be a member of the Executive Board, and as opportunity may permit, shall act as fraternal visitor to the churches throughout the year, representing the fellowship of the entire association.

Section D. Clerk.

The Clerk shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually. The Clerk shall work with the Associational Staff in keeping an accurate record of the proceedings of the association, and shall prepare and cause to be published and distributed, as directed by the Association or Executive Board, minutes and statistics of the Association as soon as practical after adjournment of the Fall Session. He/she shall mail the necessary forms and letters to the clerks of the churches affiliated with the association six weeks before they are due. Copies of the annuals shall be provided without charge for the officers, and provided for affiliated churches as requested by payment. A copy shall be sent to each department of the Baptist State Convention and other institutions and individuals as the Association or Executive Committee may direct.

Section E. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually. The Treasurer shall work with the Associational Staff to receive all receipts of the association, disburse them according to its order, and present a printed report of the same to the Fall Session of the Association and to the Executive Board.

Section F. Stewardship Director

The Stewardship Director shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually. The Stewardship Director shall be responsible for Stewardship Promotion working with the Director of Missions and subject to the supervision of the Executive Board.

Section G. Historian

The Historian shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually. The Historian shall encourage churches to preserve their historical material, to publish a church history from time to time, and to observe their special anniversaries. He/She should maintain an Associational Historical Collection.

VIII. COMMITTEES

Section A. Generally

Committees of the association shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected annually by the association except those committees appointed by the moderator. Such committees are clearly designated in the by-laws and constitution. There are two types of committees, standing and special. Standing committees are listed in these by-laws while special committees are elected by the association in accordance to need.

Section B. Duties

1. THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE: The Program Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Director of Missions, Director of Music and Pastors of the host churches. The vice-moderator shall be chairman of this committee. It shall prepare a printed program for the Annual Meeting and distribute copies to program personnel and pastors at least thirty (30) days in advance. The committee shall present the program for adoption by the association and manage any adjustments.

2. FINANCE COMMITTEE: This committee shall consist of five members whose duty it shall be . . . to supervise the financial program of the association and to report to the Executive Board regarding the same at each quarterly meeting. The Finance Committee shall submit to the Executive Board at the July Meeting, a budget for the coming year. The budget will be voted on at the Fall Session of the association.

3. NOMINATING COMMITTEE: This Committee, composed of 5 members, shall nominate officers, Division Directors and committee members as set forth in Article V and IX of this constitution. It shall also nominate associational representatives for convention institutions and agencies as deemed appropriate by the Executive Committee or association. Vacancies occuring between annual sessions shall be filled by the Executive Board upon presentation of nominee(s) by this committee.

4. CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE: This committee, composed of three members, shall be available to review study and propose changes in the constitution, and make recommendations to the association regarading any changes.

5. ORDINATION COMMITTEE: This committee, composed of five (5) members shall, when requested by a member church, assist in the examination and ordination of candidates for the Gospel Ministry.

6. DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS RELATIONS COMMITTEE: This Committee, composed of four (4) members, shall work with the Director of Missions in keeping his job description up to date, abiding by the guidelines adopted for the relationship, reviewing compensation and time arrangements, arranging for mutual evaluation sessions, handling criticisms of the Director of Missions and hearing his complaints, helping with staff difficulties, and dealing with any problems that may arise.

7. COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS: This committee, composed of three (3) members and appointed by the moderator, shall study proposed resolutions and make its report in the final session of the annual meeting.

8. COMMITTEE OF PLACE AND PREACHER: This committee, composed of three (3) members is appointed by the moderator. It shall seek out and recommend meeting places for annual sessions. It shall also recommend preachers and alternates for the Fall Sessions.

9. COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT: This committee is appointed by the moderator and shall be composed of five members. It shall work with the office staff to prepare for and direct the enrollment of messengers at each of the annual sessions.

IX. DIVISION DIRECTORS

Section A. Generally

Division directors are nominated by the nominating committee and elected annually by the association according to procedure set forth in article VII of the attached constitution. A director for each of the following divisions shall be elected: Brotherhood, Discipleship Training, Deacon Consultant, Evangelism, Leisure Ministry, Media, Missions Development, Music, Seminary Extension, Sunday School, Womans Missionary Union, and Youth.

Section B. Duties

1. It shall be the responsibility of each Division Director to coordinate and assist the work of each committee or program group in that particular division.
2. The Division Director shall make quarterly progress reports to the Executive Board and shall prepare and submit a written annual report for the Book of Reports not later than the last scheduled meeting of the Executive Board prior to the Annual Session.
3. The Division Director shall serve on the Associational Council to help plan and coordinate the total associational ministry.
4. The Division Director shall prepare and submit a budget request for his/her division to the Finance Committee by July 1, prior to budget year planned.

X. PARLIAMENTARIAN

The parliamentarian shall be appointed by the moderator and shall be well versed in Robert's Rules of Order.

XI. DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

Section A. Election

The Director of Missions shall be elected upon the recommendation of a duly elected search committee. Nominees for the Search Committee shall be presented by the Nominating Committee to the Executive Board who shall be responsible for electing the same. The Search Committee shall then search out and recommend a qualified candidate to the Executive Board for Election. The term of office for the Director of Missions shall be until terminated by mutual consent or at the official request of either party.

Section B. Duties

The Director of Missions shall have general oversight of the work of the association, cooperating with all elected officers of the association and member churches. The Director shall be an exofficio member of all committees, councils and organizations of the association. His duties shall be carried out in accordance with agreed job description.

Section C. Vacancy

When a vacancy occurs and during the interim period, *the Associational Council shall seek out and recommend an interim Director of Missions to the Executive Board.*

Section D. Grievances

Any matter relating to the Director of Missions which is not covered in this constitution or covenant agreed upon by the association and the Director of Missions shall be referred to the DOM Relations Committee who in turn will make recommendations to the Executive Board if and when necessary.

XII. REVENUE

The Bladen Baptist Association shall be supported through contributions from the affiliated churches and individual gifts. Gifts other than undesignated monies, shall be accepted at the discretion of the Finance Committee.

XIII. SALARIES OF OFFICERS

Salaries of the Director of Missions of the association, as well as any other officer, shall be such amount as may be provided for in the Annual Budget and approved by the association in its Fall Session.

XIV. MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION

1. The Minutes of all sessions of the association shall be examined, approved, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk, before being printed.

XV. AUDITOR

1. Visitors are welcome to attend any business session of the Bladen Baptist Association, but without deliberation or voting privileges. Vistors may speak at the discretion of the moderator.

XVI. VISITORS

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XVII. AMENDMENTS

1. These By-Laws may be amended at any annual session of the association by a two-thirds vote, provided the proposed amendment has been presented in writing at an Executive Board meeting prior to Annual Session, and read to the Association the first day of Annual Session, to be voted on the second day.

XVIII. EFFECTIVE DATE

1. These By-Laws or any additions or amendments thereto shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Submitted by Constitution Committee
Mr. Worth Hester
Mrs. Josie Carroll
Mrs. Florence Suggs

Adopted
October 28, 1997

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY
2004-2005

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CALENDAR 2005

JANUARY 2005

1	**New Year's Day**
13-15	Congregational Leadership Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
13-14	Computer Application Training Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
17	Sustaining Pastoral Excellence, Hollifield Leadership Center
17-19	Pursing Vital Ministry Pastor's Exploration Meeting, Caswell
18	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Conference, 10:00 am**
18	**Bladen Baptist Executive Committee Meets, 7:30 pm**
19	Sustaining Pastoral Excellence, Hollifield Leadership Center
23	**Baptist Men's Day in the Churches**
25-26	General Board Meeting, Caraway
26-27	Associational Staff/General Board Staff Meeting, Caraway
28-30	Undergraduate Retreat for Women Feeling A Call to Missions or Ministry, Mundo Vista
31	Pursuing Vital Ministry Pastor's Awareness Luncheon, Wilmington Assoc. Office

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FEBRUARY 2005

1	Baptist Singers' Concert, Campbell Univ.
1	Pursuing Vital Ministry Pastor's Awareness Luncheon, New River Assoc. Office
4-5	Sunday School Specialists Training, Clemmons FBC
6-13	Week of Prayer and Offering for Baptist Retirement Homes
10-11	Computer Application Training Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
10-12	Congregational Leadership Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
14-20	**Focus on WMU**
20	Baptist College Day
21-23	Sustaining Pastoral Excellence, Hollifield Leadership Center
22	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Conference, 10:00 am**
20	**Volunteers in Missions Day**
25-26	**Baptist Mission Conf./Baptist Men's Convention, Charlotte**

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MARCH 2005

1	PVM Awarness Luncheon, Sandy Creek Assoc Office
5	**Children in Action/Mission Kids Day, Mundo Vista**
6-13	**North American Missions Emphasis/Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**
14-16	PVM Exploration Experience, Caswell
14-18	Congregational Coaching Certification, Hollifield Leadership Center
15-16	New Ministers' Orientation, BSCNC, Cary
16-18	Resources for Congregational Coaching, Hollifield Leadership Center
22	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Conference, 10:00 am**
27	**Easter**
TBA	**Early Bird VBS Clinic**
TBA	**Associational Youth & Children's Bible Drill**

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APRIL 2005

1-2	**Region 3 Disaster Relief Training, Charlotte**
1-3	BSU Spring Conference, Caraway
2	State Royal Ambassador Car Race, Caraway
2	Girls in Action Day
3-10	**CrossWalk in Bladen County**
7-8	Computer Application Days, Hollifield Leadership Center

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APRIL 2005 (cont.)

7-9	Congregational Leadership Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
8-10	Spring Fling I, Caswell
15-17	Missions Extravaganza, Ridgecrest
15-17	Spring Fling II, Caswell
16	Ag-Missions Hands-On Workshop, Campbell
16	Royal Ambassador Congress, New River Assoc.
18-20	PVM Exploration Experience, Hollifield Leadership Center
19	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Conference, 10:00 am**
19	**WMU Annual Meeting, Clarkton First, 7:00 pm**
19	**Bladen Baptist Executive Committee meets, 7:30 pm**
20-22	Sustaining Pastoral Excellence, Hollifield Leadership Center
22-23	Men's Ministry Conference, Caswell
29-30	Father/Son Overnight, Grades 1-6, Caraway
30	State Children's Bible Drill, Village Drive, Fayetteville
TBA	**Assoc. VBS Clinic**

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MAY 2005

7	Girls in Action Day, Mundo Vista
7	State RA/Challengers Track Meet, Asheboro
12	Region 3 Baptist Men's Mission Rally, Location TBA
13-14	WMU Assoc. Leadership Team Training, Caswell
13-14	Acteens and Youth on Mission Retreat, Caswell
13-15	Deaf Youth Retreat, Caraway
14	State Finalists Drills & Tournaments, Thomasville
15-22	**Assoc. Week of Prayer and Offering**
16	PVM Pastor's Awareness Luncheon, New South River Assoc. Office
17	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Conference, 10:00 am**
17-18	Celebrating The Call, Hickory North, Charlotte
19-20	Computer Application Training Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
19-21	Congregational Leadership Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
22-25	BSU Student Summer Mission Orientation, Meredith College
23-25	Sustaining Pastoral Excellence Learning Exp., Hollifield Leadership Center
23-25	PVM Ministry Exploration Experience, Caraway
23-29	Summer Praise & Worship Team Orientation, Caswell
27-29	Couple's Spring Break, Caswell
30-June 1	Foundations of Congregational Coaching, Hollifield Leadership Center
30-June 3	Congregational Coaching Certification, Hollifield Leadership Center
30-June 4	Summer Youth Week, Caswell

May 2005

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JUNE 2005

1	**White Lake Campground Ministry begins**
1-3	Resources for Congregational Coaching, Hollifield Leadership Center
3-4	Multi-Cultural Preaching Conference, Greensboro
5	Christian High Adventure, Caraway
6	Caraway Summer Camp for Boys Opens
6-10	GA Camp, Mundo Vista
6-11	Summer Youth Week II, Caswell
11-18	**World Changers in Bladen County**
13-17	GA Camp, Mundo Vista
13-18	Family Fun and Focus Week, Caswell
13-18	Summer Youth Week III, Caswell
14-21	Deep Impact, Honduras
19-20	SBC Annual WMU Meeting, Nashville, TN
20-24	GA/Acteens Camp, Mundo Vista
20-25	Summer Youth Week IV, Caswell
21-22	**SBC meets, Nashville, TN**
24-25	**WMU Assoc. Leadership Training, Caraway**
25	Demonstration Day at the Ag Farm, Campbell
27-July 2	Summer Youth Week V, Caswell

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JULY 2005

4	**Independence Day**
4-9	Music Week at Caswell
6-9	Camp Angel Tree, Mundo Vista
11-13	GA Mother/Daughter Camp, Mundo Vista
11-13	**Associational Summer Conference, Caraway**
11-16	World Mission Week, Caswell
13-15	GA Mother/Daughter Camp, Mundo Vista
14-16	Congregational Leadership Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
15-17	Bi-vocational Ministers' Conference, Caraway
17-24	NC Baptist All-State Youth Choir
18-22	GA Camp, Mundo Vista
18-22	Grace For The Journey, Caswell
18-23	Summer Youth Week VI, Caswell
19	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Conference, 10:00 am**
19	**Bladen Baptist Executive Committee meets, 7:30 pm**
22-24	Youth Offender Retreat, Mundo Vista
23-25	Happiness Retreat I, Caraway
25-27	Happiness Retreat II, Caraway
25-29	GA Camp, Mundo Vista
25-30	Summer Youth Week VII
27-29	Happiness Retreat III, Caraway

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AUGUST 2005

1-5	Conference By The Sea I, Caswell
1-6	Summer Youth Week, Caswell
5-6	Local Church Brotherhood Leadership Development, Caraway
5-6	Lay Renewal Conference, Caswell
8-10	Sustaining Pastoral Excellence Learning Experience, Hollifield Leadership Center
15-17	Professional Church & Associational Secretaries Certification, FBC Clemmons
18-20	Congregational Leadership Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
19-20	Lay Witnessing Conference, Caraway
22-26	Conference By The Sea II, Caswell
23	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Conference, 10:00 am**
TBA	**Associational WMU Key Leadership Training**

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SEPTEMBER 2005

4	White Lake Campground Ministry Ends
7-9	Sustaining Pastoral Excellence Learning Experience, Hollifield Leadership Center
8	Wired to Grow, New Horizons, Apex
8-10	Appalachian Regional Ministry Summit, Baptist Men
9-10	Music Leadership Training Retreat, Caraway
11-18	**Week of Prayer & Special Offering for NC Missions**
14-16	Women's Prison Retreat, Mundo Vista
15-16	Computer Application Training Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
15-17	Congregation Leadership Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
16-17	Fall Sunday School Leadership Conference, Caraway
16-17	Women's Prayer Evangelism Conference, Ridgecrest
18-20	Surviving Conflict in Ministry, Friendly Avenue, Greensboro
19-21	Foundations of Congregational Coaching
19-23	Congregational Coaching Certification, Hollifield Leadership Center
20	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Conference, 10:00 am**
23-24	Fall Sunday School Leadership Conference, Caraway
23-24	Lad/Crusader Camporee, Caraway

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SEPTEMBER 2005 (cont.)

23-25 Baptist Student Convention, Charlotte
24-25 Lad/Crusader Camporee, Caraway
26-28 PVM Exploration Experience, Hollifield Leadership Center
28-Oct 3 Discover The Joy/Missions Weekender, Ridgecrest

OCTOBER 2005

1 Fall Bible Study/Church Admin. Equipping Leadership Seminars, Snyder Memorial, Fayetteville
3-5 Fall Senior Adult Conference I, Caraway
3-5 Sustaining Pastoral Excellence Learning Experience, Hollifield Leadership Center
5-7 Chaplain Retreat, Caraway
7-8 RA/Challenger Leadership Training
8 Fall Bible Study/Church Admin. Equipping Leadership Seminars, Snyder Memorial, Fayetteville
9 World Hunger Day
10-12 Fall Senior Adult Conference II, Caraway
14-15 New Ministers' Wives Retreat, Mundo Vista
14-16 Fall Youth Retreat, Caswell
14-16 Literacy Missions Retreat, Caraway
20-21 Computer Application Training Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
20-22 Congregational Leadership Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
24-25 Annual Meetings of the Bladen Baptist Association
31-Nov 2 PVM Pastor's Exploration Experience, Hollifield Leadership Center

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NOVEMBER 2005

4-5 Women's Prayer Evangelism Conference, Ridgecrest
5 Fall Bible Study/Church Admin. Equipping Leadership Seminars, Scotts Hill, Wilmington
6-10 Grace For The Journey, Caswell
6-13 RA Week in the Churches
7 Baptist Women's Day of Prayer
7-9 North Carolina Baptist Secretaries' Association Conference, Caraway
7-9 Sustaining Pastoral Excellence Learning Experience, Hollifield Leadership Center
10 Region 3 Men's Ministry Rally
10-11 Computer Application Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
10-12 Congregational Leadership Days, Hollifield Leadership Center
11-13 NC Baptist Conference For The Deaf, Caraway
12 Keyboard Festival, Raleigh
13-20 Week of Prayer and Special Offering for Baptist Children's Homes
14-16 BSCNC Annual Session, Winston Salem
18-20 Fall Youth Retreat, Caswell
22 Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Conference, 10:00 am
28-30 Foundations of Congregational Coaching, Hollifield Leadership Center
28-30 PVM Exploration Experience, Hollifield Leadership Center
21 or 28 M-Night in the Association

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DECEMBER 2005

TBA International Missions Emphasis/Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
TBA Bladen Baptist Pastor's/Wives' Christmas Party
1 Intro. To Congregational Coaching, Hollifield Leadership Center
3 WMU Days at Operation Christmas Child
5 WMU Days at Operation Christmas Child
5-6 Retired Associational Staff Retreat, Caraway
9-10 Cross Cultural Training, Raleigh
25 Christmas Day
31 New Year's Eve
Association Office Closed Week of Christmas

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

January 20, 2004

The Executive Board met at the Bladen Baptist Association Center on January 20, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. with Moderator Richard Smith presiding. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and DOM Bruce Cannon led in devotion and prayer. The scripture was taken from Mark 4:35-41.

Mrs. Virginia W. Gause, Clerk, made the roll call. There were twenty-one (21) present, representing fourteen (14) churches.

The minutes from the Annual Session dated October 27th and 28th, 2004 is listed in the 2003 Annual.

REPORTS:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Dr. Mike Thompson reported that a group sponsored by the Baptist State Convention would be coming to Clarkton Baptist Church on January 29, 2004 for a one night program from 7 til 9 p.m. He stated that it would be an opportunity for all age group leaders as well as the pastors to participate in the training. A flier was passed out giving information pertaining to the conference which will be for all Sunday School Workers and Officers. They have enlisted special conference leaders to lead this session.

He also said that Rick Hughes, State Baptist Convention, would be coming on February 12, 2004 to share GPS. This conference would be dealing with taking Sunday School into the communities around us. This a Sunday School Learning Community Program. The location will be announced later. Rick would serve as a coach in the community to assist with any church who may need his assistance in the Sunday School area.

He also announced that Eddie Hammett will be at the Elizabethtown Baptist Church on March 1, 2004 to present a program entitled, "Keeping People Over 60 while reaching people under 40." The fee will be $10.00.

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING: DOM Cannon reported in the absence of Mrs. Etta Smith. She encourages the churches to begin working with the youth in Bible Drills. Three churches are now participating in the drills. There was a jam session held on January 19, 2004 at Tar Heel Baptist Church, 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This was a study session for the youth and pizza was served for lunch. There were ten participating - 2 Center Road; 6 Tar Heel and 2 visitors. There were two leaders present. The Associational Bible Drill will be held on April 3, 2004 at Zion Hill Baptist Church.

BROTHERHOOD: Rev. Merle Johnson reported. He stated that on February 27-28, 2004 there will be a Baptist Men's Conference to be held at Hickory Grove Baptist Church in Charlotte. Speakers will include Dr. Henry Blackaby, Dennis Swanberg and Taylor Field. Meals must be reserved and paid for in advance. Telephone number for contact is 1-800-395-5108, ext. 341. Rev. Johnson also indicated that there was still work to be done on the Outer Banks Area as a result of the hurricane which came through that area in the Fall of 2003.

MUSIC: DOM Cannon reported in the absence of Jason Atkinson. He announced that on August 14, 2004 there will be an associational choir clinic. There will be musician from Wilmington who will come and work with him and the choir. An associational concert will be held at the end fo the day. The location and time will be announced later.

WMU: DOM Cannon reported in the absence of Ms. Glenda Ward. The Bladen Baptist Association Women's Missionary Union assisted in two mission activities. The first activity focused on the transportation needs of the local National Guard Unit who were presently stationed in Georgia. The men could get home, but needed buses for the return trip back to Georgia. They are waiting to be deported to Iraq. The WMU director contacted several church WMU directors asking that they make their churches aware of the financial need. Community leaders arranged for the two buses and Elizabethtown Baptist Church handled the money. More than $3000 was collected. This provided for two buses, some money for the men and Melvin's hamburgers to eat on the way. The second activity also involved making calls to the churches requesting contributions for the Jesus video project.

MEDIA/LIBRARY: No report.

ANNUITY: No report.

MISSIONS DEVELOPMENT: Rev. Walter Hayes reported. He said they were getting things in order to begin the leisure ministry at White Lake and encouraged any of the churches who had anyone who could help please contact him. He stated that beginning the first Saturday night in June and going through Labor Day weekend there will ba a gospel singing held at the campground. He also said they would be involved with the Byron Taylor Golf Tournament again this year.

STEWARDSHIP: Mr. David Clark presented the treasurer's report that had been mailed to each executive board member. He made a motion that the report be approved as printed. The motion received a second and was approved.

EVANGELISM: To be included in with the DOM report.

DOM REPORT: DOM Cannon reported on the following items:

Jesus Video Project: We still need from $15,000 to $18,000 as of this date.

Ordination Service for Darin Andrews to be held at the Elizabethtown Baptist Church on January 31, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.

Honduras Mission Trip: April 28 through May 6. The total cost is $900.00. The trip will be Evangelism, Bible Distribution and Prayer Walking.

Montana Mission Trip: DOM Cannon introduced Rev. Jeff Kellum, North American Board Church Planner, who is serving at White Oak Baptist Church as interim pastor. Jeff is leading the summer 2004 Backyard Bible Club in July. He is recruiting eleven more team members to commit to his project. He passed out a flier regarding the project and asked anyone interested in going on the Montana Mission trip to contact the Associational Office on Monday and Wednesday mornings or at 866-4467.

Rev. Kellum also passed out a flier for "Kicks for Kids" after school program which will be held at the Woodmen Building in Elizabethtown and will be held on Monday and Wednesday from 2:30 - 5:30 and the tuition is $30.00. For more information contact Jeff Kellum at 866-4467. Rev. Kellum also encouraged participation in the Baccalaureate Service which will be held on May 16, 2004.

VBS Early Bird Clinic: Tuesday, March 9, 2004 at the Association Office. Life Way will be on hand with VBS materials that can be purchased from five publishing houses.

VBS Clinic: Thursday, April 22, 2004 at the Lisbon Baptist Church with Chad and Tina Ivester leading the clinic.

Baptist Singers at Elizabethtown Baptist Church - March 1, 2004 - prelude at 6:40 p.m. The concert begins at 7:00 p.m.

"That New Thing" tour: Sunday, March 28, 2004 from 3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Drama, Song and Teaching to equip our youth to know how to mark their Bible for evangelism and how to make a Gospel presentation to their friends will be used. The location will be announced later.

Valentine Banquet for Josh Parnell: accident victim, who is paralyzed from waist down. The estimated medical expenses for surgery is about $90,000 and the insurance will not cover the operation. Fund raising efforts are currently underway by several of the churches to raise the money. BBQ plate sale and auction will be held on February 14, 2004 at the Woodmen of the World Building in Bladenboro. The auction will be at 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The plate sale will begin at 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Call Diane Merritt at 862-6763 (day) or at 648-4087 (night).

Baccalaureate Service: Scheduled for May 16, 2004 at Bladen Community College.

World Changers: Will be back in the Bladen Association June 19 - 26, 2004. Churches wishing to adopt teams are asked to contact the Association Office quickly.

Men and Boys Rally at the North Carolina Speedway: February 21, 2004. Tickets are $12.00 per person which include the race, box lunch and the program. Deadline for orders is January 31, 2004. The Bladen Association Office has the order forms.

Prayer Conference for Revival and Spiritual Awakening: March 19-20, 2004 at the Tri-City Baptist Church in Conover, North Carolina. Speakers include Dr. Henry Blackaby, Dr. John Franklin and Dr. Greg Frizzell. You must pre-register for this event and may do so by calling 1-800-395-5102 ext. 228 or 224.

RA State Track Meet: at the Eastern Randolph High School, May 1, 2004. For more information call Tom Beam at 1-800-395-5102, ext. 332.

RA Car Race Day: Saturday, April 3, 2004, from 8:15 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. at Camp Caraway. The Association Office has the registration forms.

There will be no Equipping Today's Church this year. This training is left up to the local associations.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT: Rev. Walter Hayes explained how the Ministerial Association had developed the Bladen Crisis Association Inc. which is a non profit organization for the purpose of aiding the needs which arise within the county. The store is located on Martin Luther Drive in Elizabethtown. There is a Thrift Shop and Food Bank. There were more than 200 bags of food given away during the Christmas holidays. This bag of food was enough to feed a family of four for a week. There is now about $20,000 in the budget, but more money is needed. There is a need to hire a full time employee. The churches are being asked to pool money to support this ministry. This would be a way for all the churches to participate in the needs that arise and would be the place for referrals to be sent to. There is a letter that has been sent to all the pastors encouraging the churches to join the food bank in Fayetteville for a fee of $25.00 per year. This would enable the churches to purchase food there for 18 cents per pound and the food would be brought to the Crisis Center. The food would be distributed two days per week; one day for the senior citizens and the other day for crisis situation. Rev. Hayes also said that there had been good participation in the center and that they had already outgrown the building they are in now and they are hoping that they can get a larger building and also expand the services to include a shelter for violence and for the homeless. The store at this time is not open full time and there is a need for more volunteers to run the Thrift Store.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: DOM Cannon presented the following items for approval:

1. Permission to go on the Honduras Mission Trip, April 28 - May 6; Motion made by David Clark and seconded by Steve Butler.

2. Approval for New Leadership Position: "Director of Prayer and Spiritual Awakening" Walter Hayes made the motion, and Steve Butler seconded the motion.

3. Request was made to get a motion from the Executive Board to approve pulling the necessary money from the budget to purchase the Jesus Videos if the need is not met by the churches. He stated that the dead line to have the money in is February 9, 2004. David Clark made the motion, received a second and was approved with an unanimous vote to take the money out of the budget if the need does arise.

Rev. Jimmy Strole made a motion at 8:35 p.m. that the meeting be adjourned. We were dismissed by prayer.

Respectfully submitted by:
Moderator, Richard Smith
Clerk, Virginia W. Gause

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
April 19, 2004

The Executive Board met at the Bladen Baptist Association Center on Monday night, April 19, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. with Moderator Richard Smith presiding. The meeting, moved to Monday night to allow Executive Committee members opportunity to attend the 90th Anniversary Celebration of the Bladen Baptist WMU scheduled for the next night, was called to order by the Moderator who then led in devotion and prayer. The Scripture was taken from Matthew 28.

Mrs. Wendy Cannon, Assistant Clerk, made the roll call. There were sixteen (16) members present, representing twelve (12) churches.

The minutes from the January 20, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting were presented by the Moderator and stood approved as presented.

REPORTS:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Dr. Mike Thompson reported on the ongoing Sunday School Training taking place in the Association. Rev. Rick Hughes, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina Sunday School Consultant, has led two training sessions previously, at Clarkton First Baptist and Northside Baptist. There will be a third training session which will be held at the Zion Hill Baptist Church on Monday, April 26, 7:00 p.m. During that meeting Brother Rick will speak on "Tools to assess the current needs of Sunday School and where to go from here."

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING: No Report.

BROTHERHOOD: No Report.

MUSIC: Jason Atkinson reported of an upcoming Associational Choir Clinic scheduled for August 14. All Bladen Baptist Churches are asked to send at least three members to the clinic. The clinic will last all day with the host church providing a meal. A concert will then be presented that evening. The Associational Choir will also sing at the Annual Session of the Bladen Baptist Association.

WMU: Rev. Cannon gave a report in the Director's absence. He reminded everyone present of the 90th Anniversary Celebration of the Bladen Baptist WMU scheduled for Tuesday evening, April 20th, 7:00 p.m. at the Bladenboro First Baptist Church. This Celebration is not just for the ladies, but men are encouraged and invited to attend as well.

MEDIA/LIBRARY: No Report.

ANNUITY: No Report.

MISSIONS DEVELOPMENT: Rev. Walter Hayes told of the White Lake Campground Ministry beginning in the next few weeks and encouraged churches to send choirs, puppet teams, drama teams, etc. to help with the campground services. Anyone wishing to take part needs to call him at 862-4255. He also told of serving a Continental Breakfast at the Golf Tournament scheduled for this coming Thursday morning.

STEWARDSHIP: Mr. David Clark presented the treasurer's report that had been mailed to each Executive Board member and thanked each Church for their generous gifts. He then made a motion that the report be approved as printed. The motion was approved.

EVANGELISM: No Report.

DOM Report: DOM Cannon passed out three handouts and reported on the following items:

April Pastor's/Wives' Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20th, 10:00 a.m. at the Association Office. All pastors and wives are invited to attend.

Sunday School Training: DOM Cannon reminded everyone of the report given by Dr. Mike Thompson and encouraged all churches to send Sunday School leaders to this meeting.

Jesus Video: The Jesus Videos have been mailed out to every home receiving mail from Post Offices within the county. The other residents living in the County have had videos hand delivered to them by teams from the Bladen Baptist Churches. Around 15,000 were mailed out with an additional 1,500 being hand delivered. Churches need to be praying that God will use the videos in a powerful way and begin the process of follow-up.

Baptist Children's Home Letter: The North Carolina Baptist Children's Homes have a workday scheduled for this Saturday. Teams from the churches are asked to help clean the grounds of the campuses, paint where needed, etc., of the Children's Homes.

County Wide Baccalaureate Service: The Bladen County County Wide Baccalaureate Service is scheduled for Sunday, May 16 at the Bladen Community College, 3:00 p.m. DOM Cannon asked the churches to have good representation at the service to show the graduates how proud we all are of them and to thank God for helping the graduates through their school years.

Honduras Mission Trip: April 28 through May 6. DOM Cannon asked for prayer for the team for their safety and success. The team will be conducting Back Yard Bible Clubs, Distributing Tracts and Bibles, and Conducting Worship Services.

Montana Mission Trip: Scheduled for the third week of July. The team will be conducting Back Yard Bible Clubs and Worship Services. The team is still in need of funding. DOM Cannon encouraged any Church able to do so to help fund the trip.

Region 3 Baptist Men's Rally: Scheduled for May 13 at the Arran Lake Baptist Church in Fayetteville. Persons attending must pre-register by May 6. The meal is free.

Vacation Bible School Clinic: The Bladen Baptist Vacation Bible School Clinic is scheduled for Thursday, April 22, 6:15 p.m., at the Lisbon Baptist Church.

Pastor's Day at the Capitol: DOM Cannon shared an announcement about this event and invited all Pastors to attend. May 17 & 18. This will give pastors opportunity to spend time with legislators and hear serveral messages by Dr. Daniel Akin.

Meeting at Health Department to Discuss Teen Pregnancy: Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 27, 6:00 p.m. The purpose is to bring together the faith community and government organizations with the school board and board of education to address this concern and find ways of dealing with this problem. DOM Cannon urged everyone who could go to do so.

Adopt A Badge: Adopt A Badge is a prayer ministry being developed by Rev. Richard Smith, Moderator of the Bladen Baptist Association and chaplain of the Bladen County Sheriff's Department. This ministry will provide names of all law enforcement, fire and rescue personnel to local churches. The church will then commit to pray for these men and women. They will also be able to send birthday cards at the appropriate times.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. On behalf of the Nominating Committee Chairman, Mr. Gerald Smith, Rev. Cannon presented the following Officers/Leaders for approval for the year 2004-2005:

Moderator: Rev. Richard Smith; Sunday School Director: Dr. Mike Thompson; Discipleship Training Director: Mrs. Etta Smith; WMU Director: Mrs. Judy Elkins; Baptist Men's Consultant: Mr. Ewin Davis; Baptists Men's Director: Mr. Thurman Bass; Music Director: Mr. Jason Atkinson; Deacon Consultant: Mr. Craven Sealey; Missions Development Director: Rev. Walter Hayes; Leisure/Resort Director: Rev. Walter Hayes; Director of Prayer and Spiritual Awakening: Rev. Bud Parrish; Seminary Extension Director: Rev. Bud Parrish; Media Library Director: Mrs. Wendy Cannon.

No Second was needed to the motion. Motion was approved as read.

2. That the Bladen Baptist Association partner with the University of North Carolina at Pembroke to offer a Financial Planning Seminar designed to help younger and middle aged couples understand how to reduce debt and invest for the future. The seminar would be able to be hosted by several churches and would not be at any expense to the Association or local church. Each couple would have to pay $99.00 for the training.

Mr. Walter Bryan moved to have the seminar. Rev. Warren Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried with no opposition.

3. That the Bladen Baptist Association be more involved with the Christian Action League. DOM Cannon reported that he has been a trustee of the CAL for a number of years and would like permission from the Association to begin soliciting involvement from all of the 80 Associations across the State.

Rev. Walter Hayes moved to approve the motion. Rev. Warren Hill seconded. There was no opposition.

Hearing no more business, the meeting was adjourned in prayer, led by the DOM.

Respectfully submitted by:
Moderator: Rev. Richard Smith
Asst. Clerk: Mrs. Wendy Cannon

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
July 20, 200

The Executive Board met at the Bladen Baptist Resource Center on July 20, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. with Moderator Richard Smith presiding. He called the meeting to order and DOM Bruce Cannon led in devotion and prayer. The scripture was taken from Revelation.

Mrs. Virginia W. Gause, Clerk, made the roll call. There were eighteen (18) members present, representing thirteen (13) churches.

The minutes from the April 19, 2004 meeting was presented and approved with no corrections.

REPORTS:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: No Report.

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING: DOM presented Mrs. Etta Smith's report as follows: "It is time to begin planning for the Bible Drill for next year. Please elect a leader and send the name to Etta Smith or Doris Brisson so that they can plan for a training session. There has been some changes in the material and participants would need to be updated. More churches are urged to get involved in Bible Drills and encourages churches to select leaders and instill Bible skills and knowledge in the children and youth.

BROTHERHOOD: Mr. Thurman Bass reported as follows: Bladen Changers completed eight projects from June 21-25. There were four handicap ramps installed, one mobile home underpinning, repairs to storm door (glass & screen) and back door leak, one set of porch columns and floor sills installed, one set of hand rails, and one bathroom handicap rail, which amounted to $2,535.00.

Projects in progress are: Saturday, July 14 there will be a 32' wheelchair ramp for a 13 year old in Bladenboro built. Mr. Bass asked for volunteers for the project to see him.

There will be Leadership Training class in September or October for Brotherhood, WMU, RA's and GA's. They are waiting for confirmation of the date. Northside will host the event.

A Volunteer Missions Banquet will be held on Saturday, November 13, 2004. All who have participated in missions this year are invited to attend. The place will be announced later and the meal will be catered by Dowless Catering.

Mr. Bass said that donations for this mission work are welcomed and needed, and please designate it for Handy Man Ministries.

MUSIC: Mr. Jason Atkinson reported that there will be a 1st Annual Bladen Baptist Associational Choir Clinic on Saturday, August 14, 2004 at Galeed Baptist Church. The clinic times are: 9:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 - 4:00. Lunch and Dinner will be provided for all participants. There will be a Concert at 7:00 p.m. For more information contact Jason Atkinson at (910) 862-2277. Everyone is invited to join. Mr. Joey Gore from the Pillar Record Family Choir will be the guest clinician. Each church is urged to participate with at least three members represented. Everyone is invited to attend.

WMU: Included in with the DOM report.

MEDIA/LIBRARY: No report.

ANNUITY: No report.

MISSION DEVELOPMENT: Rev. Walter Hayes report that the White Lake Leisure Ministry is in progress and they are reaching people for the Lord.

STEWARDSHIP: Mr. David Clark submitted the treasurer's report in the form of a motion for approval. The motion received a second and was approved with no opposition. He also submitted the upcoming budget for approval. This motion was approved as presented with no opposition.

EVANGELISM: No Report.

DOM: DOM gave the following report: The Annual Meeting Planning Committee has been meeting for some time now and believes this year's Annual Meetings will be some of the best ever. The Monday session will take place at Galeed Baptist Church on Monday, October 25th. The Tuesday sessions will take place at Northside Baptist Church.

The Bladen Baptist Association has a team of 14 persons currently in Missoula, Montana. They are there doing VBS work and conducting evangelistic crusades. Please pray for their safety and success.

The team of 12 from the Association went to La Ceiba, Honduras in late April. The trip was very successful with 15 persons making professions of faith there. An effort is underway to place a "shoe box" into the hands of the very poverty-stricken children of La Ceiba this November. Operation Christmas Child has given permission to the Bladen Baptist Association to do this stating they could not possibly reach the whole world themselves. They recommended using plastic boxes instead of regular shoe boxes. We would like to ask each of the churches to help with this project.

A Medical Missions Team from the Association will be going to La Ceiba this December to treat the residents there. Anyone with medical knowledge and expertise is welcome to go. As of this date one doctor has signed on to go and at least one more is needed.

Efforts are underway to have this year's "See You At The Pole" event. The date is September 15th. We hope to have every school adopted by at least one of our Bladen Baptist Churches to coordinate the activities of the morning. Last year over 2500 persons participated in the event.

World Changers canceled the Bladen County event for 2004. They are scheduled to return to our area June 11-18, 2005, and we are thankful for Bladen Baptist missions who were active this summer.

DOM announced that almost the whole world has now opened up for mission teams to carry the Gospel. The Association office stands ready to help any church wishing to field a mission team. He said they would be glad to help make the arrangements and even go with the team if possible.

SPECIAL REPORTS: Rev. Chadwick Ivester reported on the successful Vacation Bible School Clinic that was held at the Lisbon Baptist Church on April 29, 2004.

Moderator Smith appointed the following to the Enrollment Committee: Rev. Bud Parrish & his secretary; Rev. Scott Lewis & his secretary and Mrs. Virginia W. Gause. Preacher & Place: Rev. Kincy Barrow, Rev. Warren Hill and Rev. Walter Hayes. Resolutions: Rev. Boyd Britt, Rev. Chad Ivester and Mr. Gene Smith.

NEW BUSINESS: DOM presented the Associational Directory for 2004-2005 Officers, Programs Leaders and Committees. Rev. Michael Skinner has been added to the Evangelism Committee and one more is needed. There are positions not filled and will be done at the annual session. Mr. Gerald Smith moved that on behave of the nominating committee that the slate of officers as presented be approved. The motion was approved.

DOM presented the Calendar for 2005 for approval and adoption, and the permission to add dates to come up later be added. The motion was approved as presented.

Rev. Walter Hayes made the motion that on the first day of the annual session we omit the preaching service and change it to a prayer service. Rev. Hayes made comments regarding the reason for his motion. DOM also made comments regarding the motion. Rev. Warren Hill also made comments. There was an amended motion to the first motion by DOM Cannon that we leave it up to Rev. Bud Parrish, who had been appointed as preacher for the opening service, to either preach or have the prayer service at his desire. This motion received a second and was approved with no opposition. The original motion made by Rev. Hayes with the amended motion was approved with no opposition.

DOM spoke for the Building & Grounds Committee: The Committee proposes that the Associational Building be re-roofed. The shingles have been on the building since the latter part of the 1970's. He said that if the work was done by volunteers it would cost around $1500. DOM made the motion that the recommendation from the committee be approved. Rev. Walter Hayes made an amendment to this motion that it include adding a new end system which would save on the cooling and heating bill. This addition would add around $200 to the cost. The amended motion received a second and was approved. The original motion to put a new roof on the building was approved.

Hearing no more business Rev. Scott Lewis made a motion to adjourn at 8:36 p.m. with Moderator Smith leading in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Moderator: Richard Smith
Clerk: Virginia W. Gause

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT
2004

This has been a very good year for Missions Involvement in the Bladen Baptist Association. A good number of our churches have, this year, sent missionaries to far away places including India, Alaska, Honduras, Puerto Rico, Mexico, and others. Other churches in the Association have sent missionaries to New York, Louisiana, and South Carolina. Still other churches have felt a deep need to minister more closely to home. We praise God for all of these efforts!

During the summer a new ministry known as Bladen Changers was formed to do handyman work on homes within the county. About fifty volunteers worked that week on 11 projects. Handicap ramps were built, underpinning was installed, doors were replaced and lives were touched.

A team of 12 from the Association went to La Ceiba, Honduras on an evangelism mission trip in April. While there the team found families living in very sub-standard housing. Children were suffering from malnutrition. There was no clean drinking water. Families worked in fields for forty cents per hour and could not afford food or medical treatment. Because of what was seen, the team decided to come back to Bladen Baptist Association and ask for resources to help meet the needs of the residents. Samaritan's Purse was contacted and asked to supply the area children with shoeboxes (Operation Christmas Child). They, with much regret, stated that they had all of their resources pledged out to other areas in the world. Bladen Baptists picked up the challenge and provided around fourteen hundred shoeboxes to take there. A team will be delivering the boxes to the children just before Thanksgiving. A second team consisting of a doctor, six nurses, a lab technician, a dental hygienist and two interpreters will be going there the first week of December to minister to the physical problems of the residents and to share Christ with them.

As we all know several hurricanes hit Florida and caused tremendous damage to the homes in the state. The Baptist Men of North Carolina have asked every association to send disaster recovery workers. The Bladen Baptist Association Baptist Men are in the process of arranging to send teams to Florida to help with recovery. Also, because of the rains from the storms hitting western North Carolina, much damage was done there also. Opportunities are available to help the residents there with recovery from mud slides.

This year's See You At The Pole was an outstanding success. We have reports of just over three thousand students, faculty and guests standing around the flag poles of our county school campuses to pray on the morning of September 15th. This event was preceded by a Rally on Sunday evening, September 12th at the West Bladen High School. Between six and seven hundred attended the rally. We were very pleased and grateful for the support these events enjoyed.

An effort, on the part of all of the denominations in the county, is currently underway to send a care package to all of the Bladen County soldiers serving in Iraq. Each soldier with Bladen County ties will receive a box of love from the county churches. Many of our churches have supported this effort also.

I would like to offer a final word before I finish this report. Thank you so much for your financial support of the efforts of the Bladen Baptist Association. The offerings from the churches have sustained and supported the works taking place. For that we are very grateful! We could not do what we are doing without you.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce E. Cannon, DOM

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING ANNUAL REPORT 2004

M-Night was held on November 24, 2003 at Tar Heel Baptist Church with 113 in attendance, representing nine (9) churches. The banner for high attendance and the one for high percentage were both presented to Tar Heel Church as they had 69 in attendance (70%). Music was provided by Tar Heel and Dublin Choirs who did a fantastic job. Phyllis Elvington, our inspirational speaker, from Green Sea, South Carolina inspired us to do our best and challenged us for the coming year.

Children's and Youth Bible Drills were a great success this year. We had five children to go to the state drill held in Fayetteville. Of the five, four were state winners and two of those were three year winners. We had two youth to go to the state drill. One of these was a state winner, making her a three year winner in youth drills and a six year Bible Drill winner. All who participated in the state drill were recognized with a trophy for their achievements.

Please pray for Discipleship Training in our Association, and also that we will have more churches involved in Bible Drill.

Respectfully Submitted,
Etta Smith
Discipleship Supporter

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT 2004

Sunday School, being the Bible teaching arm of the church, is the foundation upon which we build other programs. Without the Bible as the basis for what we do, we find ourselves without the direction we need in determining what to do as a church.

This year, we have had a major emphasis on improving our Sunday Schools. We have had several meetings to help us improve what we are already doing well: teaching our people the Bible in such a way that they can apply it to their daily lives. Rick Hughes of the Baptist State Convention has been leading us to improve our efforts, some of our churches are getting a better idea of how to do this, and we hope that we will see good results from these efforts.

As we continue to try to reach people with the Gospel, and teach them what God's word says, continue to pray that God will enable us by the power of the Holy Spirit to do what He has called us to do. Our efforts are effective only by His power at work in us. May He bless us in our efforts to serve Him

Mike Thompson
Associational Sunday School Director

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT 2004

God's Plan . . .My Part continued to be the WMU theme this past year. Once again WMU members found many avenues for being part of God's plan.

Each year the North Carolina WMU provides a gift box for the inmates in our state women's prison. Each associational WMU contributes a certain item from the Red Box gift list. The Bladen Baptist WMU provided over 600 pairs of slouch socks for the Red Box project. A unique opportunity was provided for us in December. It came to the attention of some people that the local National Guard unit, then stationed at Fort Stuart, Georgia needed some transportation help. The guardsmen needed a way to return to base after a short Christmas visit home. Some local people arranged for two buses but needed to get word out to the churches telling that money was needed for the buses. The WMU director called several church WMU directors. About $4000 was raised on very short notice. The WMU did not raise all this money, but we did help by getting the word out to the people. Since that time WMU members have been involved in sending cards and care packages to the troops now stationed in Iraq. Currently WMU is supporting a countywide effort to send care packages to all our Bladen County military people stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan. The

WMU helped raise the money for the Jesus video project. The Jesus video project's goal was to place a copy of the video in each home in Bladen County. The WMU Thrift Shop continues to serve the community. Not only does the WMU Thrift Shop serve those in need, it also provides money for the Bladen Baptist Association's budget each year. Various churches have carried out many mission projects. Some members have been involved in mission trips including West Virginia, Montana, Puerto Rico, and the Honduras. Most recently churches have been preparing shoeboxes for the next Honduran mission team to distribute in November.

Last year WMU observed the World Day of Prayer by opening the church doors of Bladenboro First Baptist from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. People were invited to drop in during those hours for a quiet time of prayer. Churches observed the International Mission Week of Prayer and the North American Mission Week of Prayer. Offerings for foreign, home, and state missions were taken. Missions studies and special speakers were also sponsored.

In November 1914 the Bladen Baptist Association met for a three-day session at Bladenboro First Baptist Church. Women from at least four churches met in the Ladies' Parlor for "the purpose of organizing a Women's Missionary Union." On April 20, 2004, the Bladen Baptist Association Women's Missionary Union celebrated the ninetieth anniversary of the organization these women formed. We celebrated the past by creating a history book of individual churhc WMU histories. We celebrated the present through prayer for the missionaries and by hearing a homegrown missionary, David Brisson, tell about his part in the Lord's work as the Wilmington Baptist Association's Urban/Inner City Director. We celebrated the future by hearing about mission projects ahead of us.

Past, Present, and Future - we are thankful to have a part in God's plan.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenda Ward
Associational WMU Director

BROTHERHOOD REPORT 2004

The Bladen Baptist Association Baptist Men have been busy with handyman ministries and disaster recovery work this year.

A Region Three Baptist Men's Rally was held November 6, 2003 at White Lake Baptist Church. A Baptist Men's Training Event was held November 13, 2003 at the Bladen Baptist Association.

Men from Bladen County went to Virginia and West Virginia to help with hurricane and flood relief.

During the summer (2004) a new ministry known as Bladen Changers was formed to do handyman work on homes within the county. About 50 volunteers worked more than a week on 11 projects. Handicap ramps were built, underpinning was installed, doors were replaced, handrails were installed and lives were touched.

An ongoing project at Richardson Church to build a fellowship hall has had many workers.

September 7, 2004 Northside Church hosted the annual leadership training event for the Bladen Baptist Men and WMU. There were over 100 in attendance.

A Volunteer Missions Banquet will be Saturday, November 13, 2004 at Center Roads Baptist Church at 6:30 p.m. All who have participated in missions locally or abroad are invited to attend. Each church please RSVP the Association Office of the number expected to attend.

In March or April 2005, Region Three will be having a Disaster Recovery training session in Lumberton. This is Red Cross certified upon completion.

The World Changer will be back with us June 11-18, 2005. We need churches to sponsor some 20 teams as they work throughout the county.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Baptist Men's Director. If I may help you regarding missions in any way please feel free to call on me.

Respectfully submitted,
Thurman W. Bass
Associational Baptist Men's Director Elect

EVANGELISM REPORT 2004

The Evangelism Committee of the Bladen Baptist Association met on several occasions during the year to work on the **"Jesus Video"** project. We are very grateful to all of the churches who gave so generously toward the cost of the effort. The total cost of placing a copy of the Jesus Video in every household in Bladen County was around $44,000.00. We believe over ninety per-cent of the homes received the video. The videos went into each home around the first week of April.

To be good stewards of God's money we made contact with the post offices around the county to pick up the videos that were not deliverable. These videos were used in other evangelism projects during the year. The Leisure Resort ministry gave a good number of the returned videos out at the White Lake Campgrounds over the summer. Others of the videos were given out at parades, etc. What an exciting thing to think about: every home received a presentation of the Gospel because of the Jesus Video.

Much work remains to be done in the County. We still believe over half of our county's residents are unchurched. The primary age groups in the county which are missing in the churches are the children, youth and those in their early twenties. Please help us pray and work to reach out to these groups, and all ages, to share the Gospel and see many come to saving faith.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Jerry Beck
Chairman, Evangelism Committee

ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC REPORT 2004

I would first like to thank the Bladen Baptist Association for allowing me to serve in the capacity of Associational Music Director during the past year. I feel that we have seen some growth in the area of church music over the past year in our churches. The Lord continues ot bless us in so many ways! We are all aware that music itself is an instrument that prepares our hearts to worship God. Let's continue to pray and support each other! This year, we scheduled our first Associational Choir Clinic. Unfortunately, we had to cancel it due to Hurricane Charley. It is my hope and prayer that we can reschedule this event very soon. Please remember that I am available to help you and your churches any way that I can. May God Bless each one of you!

Respectfully Submitted,
Jason B. Atkinson
Associational Music Director

ORDINATION COUNCIL REPORT 2004

The Ordination Council of the Bladen Baptist Association stands ready to assist churches in questioning and recommending any member of the local congregation for ordination who has given evidence of being called of God to the Gospel Ministry, has been licensed by their church and called to a pastoral position.

Members of the committee during the year of 2004 include: Rev. Jerry Beck, Chairman, Rev. Cameron McGill, Rev. Chad Ivester, Mr. Lynn Johnson and Rev. Don Coley.

The Council was not asked by any of the churches this year to question a candidate.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Jerry Beck
Chairman, Ordination Council

MISSIONS DEVELOPMENT/LEISURE MINISTRY REPORT 2004

Heavens gain is our loss; after many years of serving his Lord and this Association, Mr. Clayton Tyndall is now preaching in heaven. He was loved by many and we were grateful for all he did for us. God bless his family and all his friends. We had such a great year in Leisure Ministry. We had a team of youth who came and passed out tracks at Wal-Mart. We also had a team who came and passed out Jesus Videos in one of our campgrounds and another team who came and worked giving out Videos at a different campsite. We had only a few services postponed because of bad weather and some came even in the rain to hear the messages.

I want to THANK YOU who made this year one of the best we've ever had and I want to THANK JESUS CHRIST for his love for all of us.

Thank You All, Walter Hayes
Missions Development Director /Leisure Ministry Director

WHITE LAKE LEISURE MINISTRY - SUMMER 2004

Campsites	Number Of Services	Attendance	Average Attendance	Offerings
Harolds	12	121	10	$ 185.01
Langston	14	495	35	$ 771.83
Marshburn	12	90	7	$ 240.75
Tar Heel	12	198	16	$ 257.35
TOTALS	**50**	**904**	**18**	**$1,454.94**

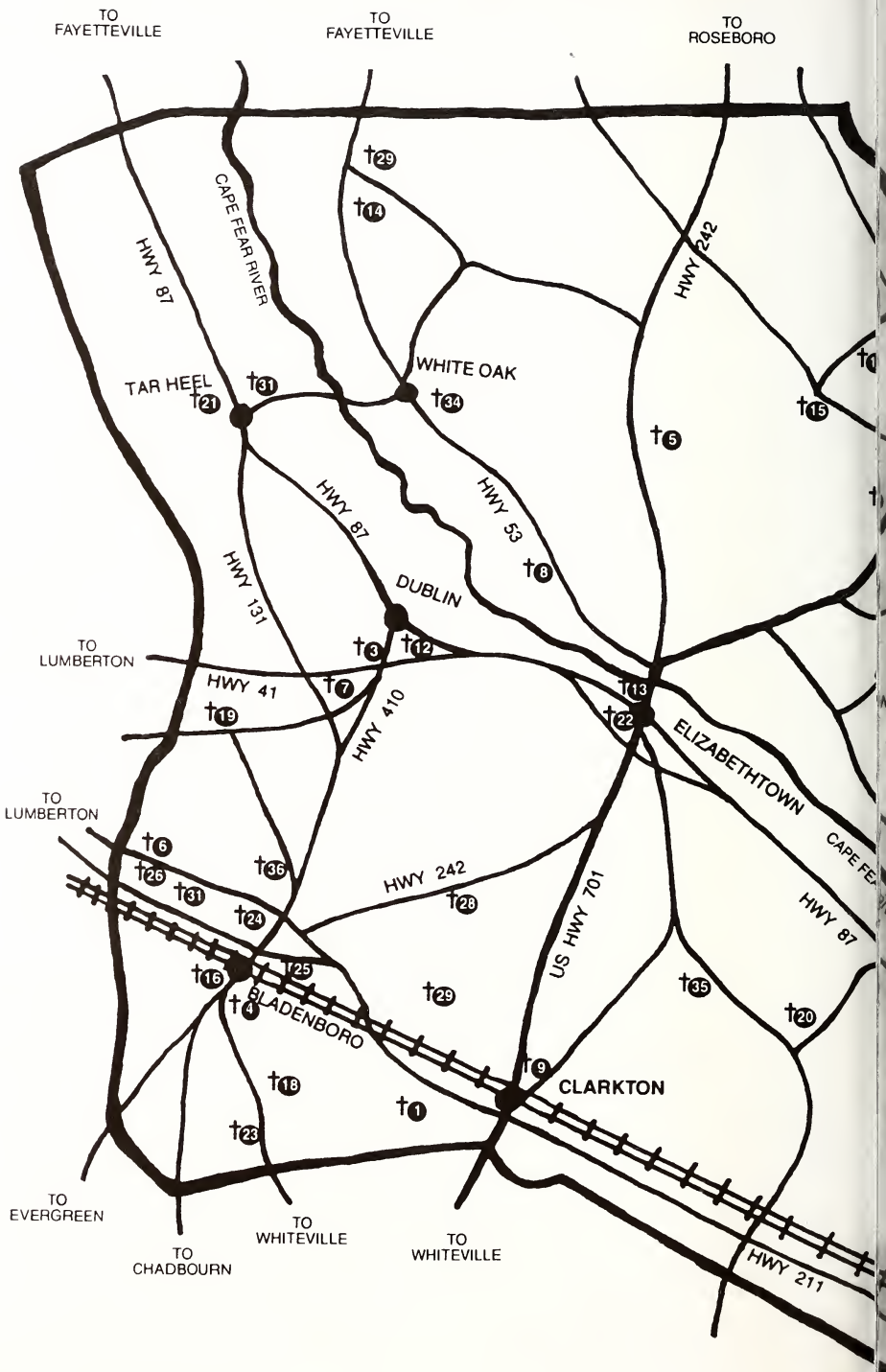
A Special Thank You to all the workers this Summer.
Rev. Ray Bledsole and Mr. Keith Dowd donated their mileage.

EXPENDITURES:

Tracts	$ 989.00
Hospice Candles	100.00
Hospice Tournament	22.62
Candy for Parade	64.99
Equipment	53.49
Tune up for Golf Car	19.26
Flowers for Tyndall Service	53.50
Youth Group Ministries	111.86
Jesus Videos	3000.00
Bradley Butler	325.00
Charles Mellott	325.00
John Denson	100.00
The Front Porch	79.21
TOTAL	**$ 5243.93**

Balance September 12, 2003	$ 4,667.04
Baptist State Convention	800.00
Offerings	1,454.94
Transfer from CD	3,000.00
Total Cash to Date	9,921.98
Less Listed Expenditures	5,243.93
Balance September 25, 2004	$ 4,678.05
BALANCE ON CD	$ 4,571.28

Respectfully Submitted By
Joyce H. Thomas, Treasurer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Churches of
The Bladen Baptist Associaton

1. ABBOTTSBURG
2. BEARDS CHAPEL
3. BETHEL
4. BLADENBORO, FIRST
5. BRIAR BRANCH
6. BUTTERS
7. CENTER ROAD
8. CHRIST COMMUNITY
9. CLARKTON, FIRST
10. COUNCIL
11. CYPRESS CREEK
12. DUBLIN, FIRST
13. ELIZABETHTOWN
14. FAITH
15. FRIENDSHIP
16. GALEED
17. GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION
18. GRACE
19. HICKORY GROVE
20. LISBON
21. LOVE GROVE
22. NEW BEGINNINGS
23. NEW CENTER
24. NORTHSIDE
25. PEACE
26. RICHARDSON
27. RIVERSIDE
28. SANDY GROVE
29. SHADY GROVE
30. SUGGS GROVE
31. TAR HEEL
32. WEST BLADENBORO
33. WHITE LAKE
34. WHITE OAK
35. WHITES CREEK
36. ZION HILL

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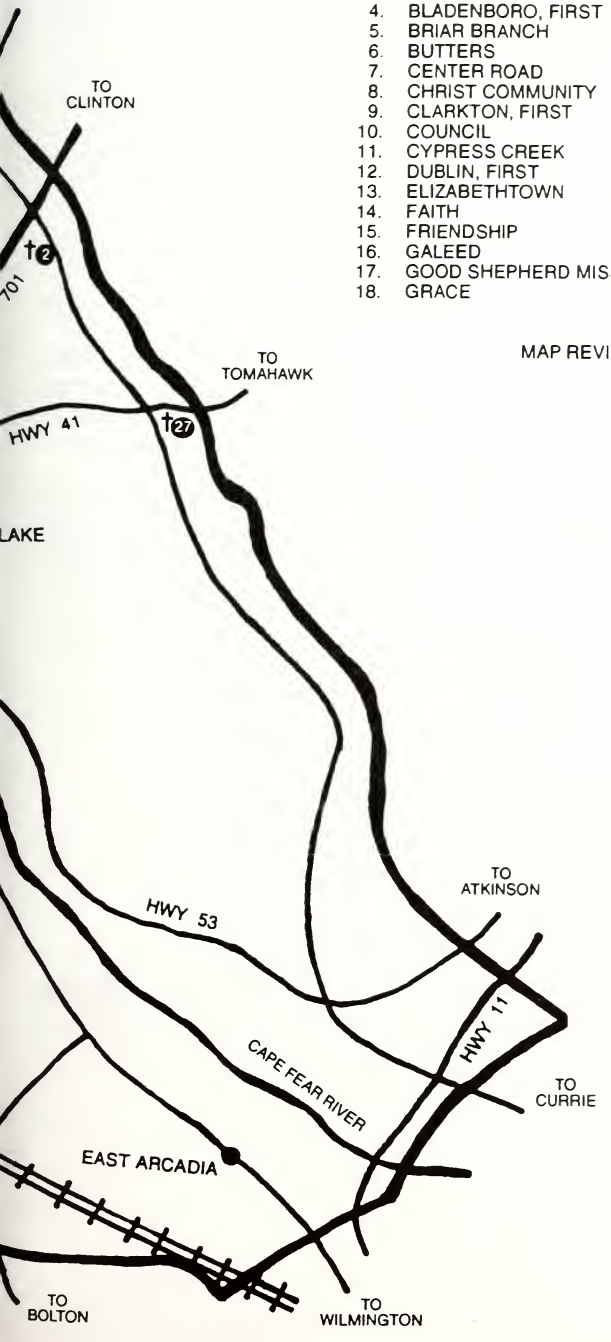


"HISTORICAL EVENTS"
2004

Beards Chapel: Gene Smith went on Mission Trip to Montana.

Bethel: Renovated Parsonage. Started two new choirs (Young Adult & Youth)

Briar Branch: We started a mission group. Sent 100 shoe boxes to Samaritan Purse and 73 boxes to Honduras. Had a Christmas party for one of the nursing homes.

Council: Participated in Shoe Box Christmas Child. Sent monthly donation to Bladen Pregnancy Support Service. Participated in the "Jesus Video" Project. Gave to "Relay for Life". Started giving to the retirement plan provided by the Annuity Board of the SBC. Gave to the "Disaster Relief Fund.

Dublin, First: Ordained Walter Hester, Deacon. Began the AWANA Ministry.

Love Grove: Completed new building. Installed Flag. Installed fence around playground.

New Beginnings: License of two preachers - Rev. Mark Walter and Rev. James Rodney McMillan. License and ordained Rev. Darin Andrews and church called him as Youth Director and Associate Pastor. September: Annual Woman's Day. Two nursing home Bible studies and senior citizens Bible Study. Lawn Mowing Ministry-Men's Ministry.

Northside: Purchased and installed projector/video system. Participated in mission projects, building ramps. Refurbished mission projects. Began intensive door to door evangelism, reached 100 contacts. Extended van ministry. Exterior painting and installation of storm windows.

Richardson: Began building new fellowship hall. Celebrated 90 years as a church.

Shady Grove: October 3, 2004: Dedication of new Church Fellowship Hall.

White Oak: Started AWANA Program this year.

"HISTORIAN REPORT"

The historical events listed are taken from the "Congregation Profiles".

As in the years since our Centennial celebration in 1992, when a brief history of all the churches in the Association were compiled into a book entitle "**A Pictorial Directory of the Churches of the Bladen Baptist Association**," we have been profiling two churches taken from this book each year. This year in the "Book of Reports" Elizabethtown Baptist Church is profiled on the front cover and Peace Baptist Church on the back cover.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ethelene Barnes, Historian

REPORT FOR 2004 BOOK OF REPORTS
OFFICE OF ANNUITY

After a tumultuous three year period resulting in a dramatic economic downturn which adversely affected retirement accounts of millions of Americans a dramatic rebound occurred during the last year. As a result, the asset base of the Annuity Board gained over 1 billion dollars in one year for the first time since the Annuity Board was established in 1918 to serve ministers and employees of Southern Baptist churches. Concurrently, many participant retirement accounts recouped much of the funds which evaporated during the downturn. The downturn presented a serious challenge to our office in assisting participants with meaningful educational materials and resources to make wise investment decisions.

Secondly, the ongoing national health care crisis continues to present serious challenges to our churches who strive to be responsible employers by providing adequate medical insurance in a rapidly escalating cost environment. To assist in this effort, the Annuity Board responded this year by offering new medical insurance plans. These new plans offer more flexibility with varying levels of deductibles and monthly rates. Along with the new plans, the Board emphasized a three-step approach to address the rising cost of health care. First, the Annuity Board is aggressively managing costs and continuing to create plans that provide more options for participants. Second, participants are encouraged to develop healthy habits related to eating and exercise. And, third, churches need to take the initiative, if at all possible, to provide medical coverage as a benefit for their ministers and staff rather than as a part of the salary package. Those church employees who live within the constraints of an antiquated "pay package" approach have seen a dramatic decline in disposable income if they have tried to maintain adequate medical insurance for themselves and their families.

Thirdly, as a result of actions taken by messengers at the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Indianapolis, the Annuity Board gained permission to serve evangelical ministry organizations outside the SBC and to change the official name of the Annuity Board to GuideStone Financial Resources of the Southern Baptist Convention. The name change will become official with an affirmative vote at next year's annual convention in Nashville, Tennessee.

Fourthly, the Endowment ministry of the Annuity Board continued its work to make Southern Baptists aware of the tragic plight of retired ministers and their widows who were unable to plan adequately for retirement. Individuals and churches responded with open hearts and open hands as they helped to underwrite the financial assistance given to those who are in desperate need. More than 3,000 persons in our convention presently receive financial assistance with 335 residing in North Carolina.

As of May 31, 2004, North Carolina participants in the retirement plan moved above 5,200 in 2,332 (61%) of our churches. Our goal is to have all of our churches actively participating in the retirement plan provided by the Annuity Board of the SBC.

In closing, we remain committed to serve all of our churches, ministers, and other church employees. For more information related to products or services, call the Baptist State Convention of NC at 1.800.395.5102 extensions 320 or 321, visit our Web site at www.bscnc.org, call the Annuity Board at 1.800.262.0511, or visit the Annuity Board Web site at www.absbc.org.

Johnny E.Ross,
Senior Consultant, Annuity

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

Above and beyond — these words best describe what North Carolina Baptists did last year!... Churches around the state came mightily to the aid of Baptist Children's Homes in 2003-04 as their beloved institutional faced one of its most critical financial times. Prayers, money, and gifts of food, towels, sheets, school supplies, and clothes flooded in. These showers of blessings softened the blow of a nearly four million-dollar budget cut. ***Thank you.***

History was made as churches from all 80 Baptist Associations gave food to BCH's first-ever statewide food roundup. Nearly 500,000 pounds of food were collected filling every available space on our campuses. Directors of Missions graciously opened their offices as collection points for the food. Churches delivered food filling their offices, halls and storage rooms. Trucking companies picked up the food from the Association offices and delivered this great expression of your love and concern. ***Thank you.***

(The next Food Roundup is slated for April 2005.)

Last year, nearly 2000 videos of ***Jennifer's Story*** were distributed to churches. The video told how North Carolina Baptists made a difference in the life of Jennifer Shore. Jennifer found hope and healing at Baptist Children's Homes. As an adult she and her husband returned to become child care workers. More than 600 churches invited BCH representatives to share how the lives of children, children like Jennifer, are being changed every day. United together, North Carolina Baptists not only met the 2003 Thanksgiving Offering goal, but exceeded it! ***Thank you.***

Baptist Children's Homes is at the center of North Carolina Baptists' hearts. Their actions prove it! Jesus challenged us all when he said, "In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Our children and staff, the people in your communities, and the citizens of North Carolina saw Jesus in action and our Heavenly Father was glorified! ***Thank you.***

Blackwell marks 20th year as president... On July 1, 1983, Michael C. Blackwell became president of BCH. Trustees honored his twenty years of ministry during their September 2003 board meeting with "A Celebration of Ministry."

BCH begins strategic planning process... BCH president Michael C. Blackwell initiated an agency year-long strategic planning effort. Blackwell says this is the most comprehensive effort since he became president. All areas of the agency are involved in the development of the plan. Recommendations will be presented to the Trustees at their September meeting. The plan will debut in January 2005.

Shine your light!... Inspired by North Carolina Baptists, this year's Thanksgiving Offering theme is "Shine your light." Although blessings flowed freely in 2003 helping to avert more difficult hardships, our need remains great. Children and families continue to pour out their hurt on our doorsteps. Alone and suffering, children need to know that in their journey of darkness there is a light shining, guiding them to a better day. You help keep the light on and shining bright as we, day-to-day, offer help in Jesus's name. Our statewide Thanksgiving Offering goal this year is $1,300,000. This represents a $75,000 increase over last year's offering goal. An increase demanded by necessity. Challenge your church to participate in the 2004 Thanksgiving Offering. ***Our success depends on you.***

BCH...Focused on the Future. Despite the trying times, Baptist Children's Homes continues to be committed to providing only the highest quality of service. Children who come through BCH's doors continue to receive an abundance of love, care and healing. A dedicated staff serves and gives of themselves sacrificially. The lives of children and families are worth every effort. BCH holds true to its mission of ***"helping hurting children...healing broken families."***

The support of North Carolina Baptists through the Thanksgiving Offering, Cooperative Missions giving, church and individual gifts, memorials, honors, and estate gifts enables BCH to provide care for more than 2000 children through our locations across the state. ***Thank you, North Carolina Baptists, for your continued prayers and support. We could not do what we do without you.***

Michael C. Blackwell, President
Abe Elmore, Board of Trustees Chair
Fall 2004

THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION, INC. 2003 ANNUAL REPORT

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in increasing an awareness among North Carolina Baptists of Christian estate stewardship principles as a means of financially undergirding churches, institutions and mission endeavors on a permanent basis. The uniqueness of the ministries and serivces provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased financial support. The Foundation accomplishes these objectives by offering assistance in estate planning counsel, Will preparation, planned giving, charitable remainder trusts, endowment funds and church fund management.

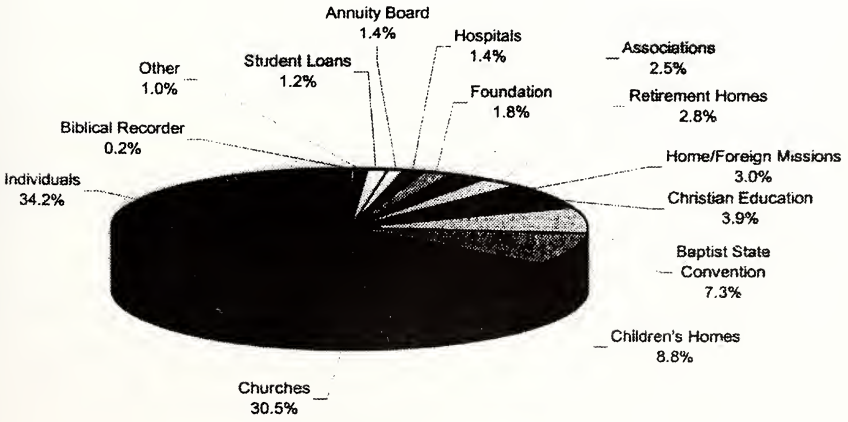
During 2003, the Foundation assisted individuals in establishing 23 endowment funds and 8 charitable remainder trusts totaling $633,000 and received $2.7 million in contributions to existing endowments all of which will ultimately benefit countless Baptist causes on a permanent basis. Programs were provided for churches and associations during the year to promote Make Your Will Month, Christian estate stewardship, and church fund management. Over $2.0 million from churches and institutions came under management to enhance numerous ministries including scholarships, building funds, cemetery funds, benevolence funds, general operating funds and other various mission causes. Overall, the Foundation received $5.3 million in contributions during 2003 for Christian causes.

The Foundation employs professional money managers to invest these funds according to an investment policy adopted by its Board. Four investment pools are offered: a growth fund, a balanced fund, an income fund and a fixed income fund. The Foundation uses the services of Salomon Smith Barney to help select top money managers and evaluate performance. As of December 31, 2003, the Foundation held $112.9 million under management.

During 2003, our distributions totaled $5.7 million, with charity receiving $3.8 million and individuals, through trusts, receiving $1.9 million. During the 83-year history of The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc., $25 million has been distributed to individuals and $44.1 million to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $69.1 million.

Harold G. Koger, Chair, Board of Directors
M. Clay Warf, Executive Direct

2003 Distributions



NC BAPTIST HOSPITAL 2004 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS

"Touching Lives With Hope"

BAPTIST HOSPITAL AND NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS: *PARTNERS IN MINISTRY*

The mission of North Carolina Baptist Hospital, **"to provide and advance excellent healthcare, embracing the healing presence of God,"** reflects our distinctive heritage of extending the healing ministry of Jesus Christ. Since 1923 we have been privileged and grateful to be partners in mission with North Carolina Baptists, touching the lives of hurting people with great hope and strengthening the ministries of churches.

THE MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING: *PARTNERS IN BENEVOLENT CARE*

Real Needs...Real Hope...In the Name of Christ and His Love

Thank you, North Carolina Baptists, for giving compassionate witness to the love of Christ through the Mother's Day Offering! Every dollar of every gift ***($584,958 in 2003)*** relieves the anxious burden of hospital bills for our patients in serious financial need. Having no where else to turn for help, they find Christ reaching to them through you.

A recent recipient, suffering from life-threatening illness and worried sick about the burden of her hospital bill, received a letter that changed her life. The words of grace resounded, ***"Your hospital bill has been paid by compassionate and mission-minded North Carolina Baptists in the name of Jesus Christ and His love."***

With deep thankfulness she replied, ***"I greatly appreciate the love of God that North Carolina Baptists have shared with me. This gift in the name of Jesus Christ has lifted a heavy burden, and I could never say thank you enough. God bless those who give for their compassion."***

The needs of many patients far exceed the resources available to help them. Please give generously so more can be helped in the name of Christ's love.

THE SCHOOL OF PASTORAL CARE *PARTNERS IN MINISTRIES OF GROWTH, HOPE, AND HEALING*

North Carolina Baptists, by ***Cooperative Missions Giving,*** provide healing ministry to thousands of hurting people, strengthen the effectiveness of hundreds of churches, and equip scores of ministers for service through the School of Pastoral Care.

Baptist Hospital's CareNet Counseling Centers provide a statewide, faith-based counseling network that extends the ministry of churches. Pastors are the largest single referral source, and members of Baptist churches are the largest group being served. Through 22 locations we will provide nearly 23,000 hours of pastoral counseling in 2004. Thanks to Cooperative Missions Giving, counseling that shares Christ's compassion and hope is made affordable and subsidized for those who need assistance.

The Center for Congregational Health, with the support of North Carolina Baptists, provides three vital ministries that enhance the effectiveness of churches. The Center is strengthening 25 churches per month through **consultation services**, assisting churches with strategic planning, team development, and conflict resolution. **Leadership development** programs are training 20 ministers per month, strengthening these clergy for more effective service. The Center has trained nearly 1,400 pastors as **interim ministers** and intentional interim specialists.

The Department of Chaplaincy and Pastoral Education provides training in pastoral ministry to nearly 55 students per year, and extends compassionate spiritual care to patients and families through 60,000 ministry contacts. Our North Carolina Baptist partners, through Cooperative Missions Giving, allow tuition to be affordable for these ministers. Our churches reap the benefits, as pastors learn to provide high quality pastoral care in times of crises, deepen their own faith, and enhance their evangelism.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS AT NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Caring for Ministers and Their Families

- N.C. Baptist ministers and their families receive a subsidy of up to 25% on their hospital bills at Baptist Hospital, a helping hand that brings tremendous relief and gratitude. It is made possible by the Hospital's W.K. McGee Patient Service Fund, with support from the Mother's Day Offering as needed. An average of $60,369 per year has been provided during the last five years.
- Our CareNet Counseling Centers, in partnership with the Baptist State Convention, provide the ***Ministers' Care Plan*** to full-time, ordained ministers serving N.C. Baptist churches, and their immediate families. Confidential pastoral counseling is made available for $20 per session at a CareNet center, with the BSC and CareNet covering the remainder of the cost. Please call Rev. Paul Mullen, Director of Church and Community Relations, for more information (336-716-3027).

National Rankings Reflect Commitment to Excellence

- We are consistently rated among the nation's top 50 hospitals by *U.S. News and World Report.*
- We are ***one of America's top 15 major teaching hospitals***, according to the Solucient Top 100 Hospitals. This listing is one of the nation's most comprehensive ratings of hospitals.
- We are ***one of America's Top Cardiac Centers for Women*** *(Good Housekeeping, 2004).*
- We have been ranked as ***one of America's top cancer centers*** since 1996 by *U.S. News and World Report.* Our ***Outpatient Comprehensive Cancer Center***, one of the nation's most advanced treatment centers, opened in the summer 2004.
- We are in the ***top one percent in patient satisfaction*** among our peers in the United States, according to Press Ganey, one of the healthcare industry's leading patient satisfaction measurement firms.

Information and Appointments

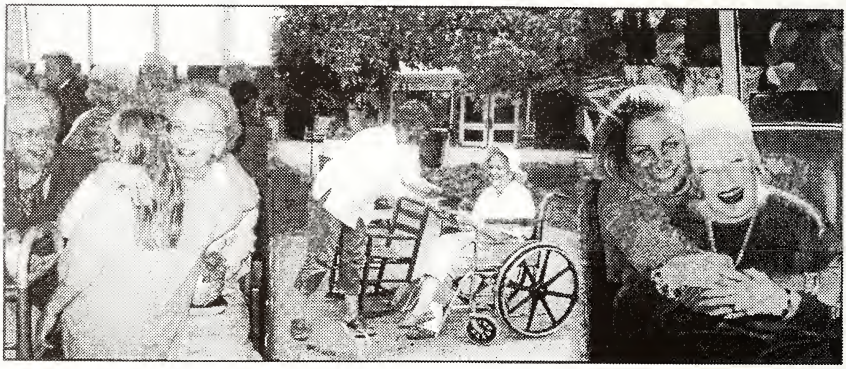
To make an appointment for yourself or a family member with a physician, or to receive information on health related issues, please contact HEALTH-ON-CALL at 800-446-2255 or 336-716-2255.

CLOSING WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

The compassionate, healing ministry of Christ continues to be realized in remarkable ways at North Carolina Baptist Hospital. We are profoundly thankful for the privilege of serving Christ by serving others through these ministries of growth, hope, and healing. We are deeply grateful to North Carolina Baptists for being our partners in ministry, and pray that God's love will continue to shine rays of healing hope through our common mission.

Respectfully submitted,
Len B. Preslar, Jr., President
North Carolina Baptist Hospital

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES
OF NORTH CAROLINA, INCORPORATED
PROUDLY SERVING OLDER ADULTS SINCE 1951



"Lord...you have made my lot secure. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance." –Psalm 16:5-6

Because of your generosity, Psalm 16 is a fitting scripture for the over 700 Older Adults who reside at the Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Incorporated...

Their lot has been made secure–
All of your gifts through the Cooperative Giving Plans of the Baptist State Convention, through the February North Carolina Offering for Older Adults, and through direct gifts from the churches are designated to provide care for those who otherwise could not receive care. Many of our Assisted Living care residents and the majority of our Nursing Care residents receive financial assistance from you. Furthermore our promise to each of our residents is care that will last for as long as they live.

Their boundary lines have fallen in pleasant places–
At the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville...at Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem...at The Taylor House in Albemarle...and at Hamilton Baptist Home in northeastern North Carolina, beauty, security, and comfort are found in full measure.

They have a delightful inheritance–
At each of the Homes, the ministry of a Baptist Chaplain lifts the hearts of our residents. The enrichment and recreational opportunities at each Home make for an enjoyable lifestyle. Day after day the high quality of care that is given speaks of the care of a loving Heavenly Father, helping to make life for our Aging Saints...The Best of Times!

The Baptist Elder Care Network – Simple Answer • 1-800-887-7410

A statewide system of resource counselors answering questions related to the needs of aging persons.
A free service provided by Baptist Retirement Homes.

BIBLICAL RECORDER
2004 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION

After celebrating its 170th anniversary in 2003, the *Biblical Recorder* remains true to its founding mission of publishing relevant news and fostering healthy dialogue among members of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Today's North Carolina Baptists face a constantly changing landscape as population shifts, cultural trends and denominational debates each leave their mark. As always, Baptists find a variety of ways to express their identity. North Carolina Baptists have a clear need to be informed of the many issues affecting Baptist life, mission work and mutual cooperation.

The *Biblical Recorder* exists to provide this needed service to Baptists in North Carolina and beyond. The *Recorder* staff works diligently to provide regular, dependable and balanced news coverage and analysis of the most significant matters relating to Baptist life. In addition, the *Biblical Recorder* includes a variety of supportive resources and feature articles designed to encourage and inspire as well as to inform.

The *Recorder* was privately owned and operated in support of Baptist work in North Carolina until 1938, when the paper was purchased by the Baptist State Convention and incorporated as an agency of the convention. It serves as the official news publication of the Convention, and seeks to serve the full spectrum of its churches.

The *Biblical Recorder* is widely acknowledged to be in the top echelon of state Baptist papers, winning national honors from the Baptist Communicator's Association every year since 2000, including the prestigious Burkhalter Award for news writing in 2001, and several first place awards for news and editorial writing, including two in 2003.

As readers have shifted in their preference for electronic media over traditional print formats, the *Biblical Recorder* has developed and maintains a popular and rapidly growing presence on the World Wide Web. Our Website, at www.biblicalrecorder.org, provides much of each paper's content online, as well as to access classified ads, online Bible study resources and a portal to other news services. The site is frequently updated with breaking news items and other articles of interest.

The *Biblical Recorder* was one of the first state papers to create a website, and it remains a leader in the field. Google.com's prestigious page-rank feature lists www.biblicalrecorder.org as the number one site for Baptist news on the Internet. Web users in North Carolina and around the world now rival the number of those who read the Recorder's print edition, as an average of more than 40,000 unique visitors come to the site each month.

As a BSCNC agency, the *Biblical Recorder* receives annual support from Cooperative Missions Giving contributions, making it possible to offer the *Recorder* at subscription rates below the actual cost. Subscription packets and free sample issues are available.

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2004 ANNUAL REPORT

The Christian Action League of North Carolina, Inc. continues to work vigorously to address public policy and legislative matters from a Christian worldview. Our purpose is to assist the church in its mission to fulfill the Cultural Mandate. It is a joy to serve in this capacity. This following report contains highlights from this year's efforts.

Promotion of Christian Values

- This year the North Carolina General Assembly passed a bill to allow the National Motto, "In God We Trust," and a yellow ribbon with the phrase, "Support Our Troops", on a specialty license plate. Revenues garnered from the plates will aide families of deployed North Carolina National Guard troops. The Christian Action League is pledged to helping launch the new plates by getting the first 300 persons to make application. For an application for these license plates simply go to: http://www.nc.ngb.army.mil/inGodwetrust.asp

- This year the Christian Action League will host a new website *North Carolina Candidates Forum: A Service of the Christian Action League of North Carolina* at www.nccandidatesforum.com. The website will list all of North Carolina's candidates for U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, N.C. State offices, N.C. Senate and House of Representatives, plus N.C. judiciary. It's objective will be to post the responses of these candidates to a questionnaire sent by CAL that expresses the candidates' position on abortion, homosexuality, separation of church and state, gambling, pornography/obscenity, education, capital punishment, alcohol policy, and the war on Iraq.

- CAL has helped several communities battle evil influences in their midst. One such effort has been to help concerned citizens in Orange County turn back a domestic partners benefit package for county employees. Another situation where CAL had a powerful influence was when the Roanoke Rapids School Board considered whether to send a resolution to the North Carolina General Assembly that would have endorsed a lottery for education. Because CAL was able to mobilize a massive grassroots effort in Roanoke Rapids, the resolution was defeated. Residents of Cleveland, North Carolina, have expressed their deep appreciation for CAL's help in keeping a proposed Liquor store out of their area. CAL has also sought to help Watauga County Commissioners in overturning an unconstitutional alcohol bill which was approved by the General Assembly last session and allows for alcohol permits in an area of that county where voters have clearly stated by local option elections they do not want alcohol sales.

- CAL continues to provide critical information regarding public policy and legislative issues via it's interactive website www.christianactionleague.net. The website keeps the church abreast of the latest developments in the U.S. Congress and the North Carolina General Assembly.

- CAL continues to promote and distribute copies of the *Ten Commandments* across North Carolina. Nearly 20,000 have been distributed statewide. CAL has just created a new print of the Ten Commandments and the very first edition of God's Covenant With America; which are now ready for distribution. *God's Covenant With America* features an American paraphrase of Deuteronomy 8:7-20 written by CAL's Director.

- CAL continues to publish a weekly email "Issues Alert" that keeps approximately 2000 people on the frontlines of Christian activism. The weekly email Issues Alert is designed not only to inform, but also to stir God's people to take action via legislative contacts, etc. Those interested in receiving the weekly email Issues Alert should go to CAL's website at www.christianactionleague.net and click on "Sign Up To Be A Beacon of Light."

- The writing ministry of CAL's Executive Director has reached national prominence. Rev. Mark Creech's column, *The Right Frame of Mind*, appears weekly on the National Christian newswire of the American Family Association, www.agapepress.org, former Ambassador and Presidential candidate Alan Keyes' website, www.renrewamerica.us, three North Carolina newspapers and numerous Christian periodicals and websites across the country.

- Because Pornography has become a pervasive problem in the church as well as society, the Christian Action League offers a Seminar to help pastors deal with its influence. The seminar, *The Pastor and Pornography*, was held for a second time in Lexington for the North Carolina Sheriff Chaplain's Association. Associational Pastors' Conferences or other groups interested in having the two-hour seminar should contact CAL at 919.787.0606.

Lobbying Activities

- This year a House Select Committee met twice to consider revisions and a possible overhaul to North Carolina's ABC policies. Several speakers spoke before the Committee and each advocated that special provisions to allow for alcohol sales without alcohol sales without alcohol elections had significantly complicated North Carolina's alcohol control policies. One suggestion put forth by Rep. Ronnie Sutton (D-Robeson) for correcting the problem was to revise current local option policy from on opt-in system to an opt-out system that could be implemented by County commissioners. CAL's Executive Director, Rev. Mark Creech briefly spoke before the Committee, advocating it was the North Carolina General Assembly that had complicated North Carolina's current alcohol policy. He said these problems were created because lawmakers failed to show respect for the will of the people in local option elections. He said problems were created in the system because of an elitist group of people, specifically lawmakers in Raleigh. Enacting Rep. Sutton's legislation, said Creech, would simply turn the matter over to another elitist group of people. "The question of whether or how alcohol sales are carried out in this State," said Rev. Creech, "is best left to the people." The committee took no action this year. Nevertheless, there are still concerns that next year an effort will be made to either do away with local option or privitize liquor sales.

- The Christian Action League worked tirelessly during the last session of the State Legislature to get lawmakers to approve legislation that would provide for a Constitutional amendment to North Carolina's Constitution banning same sex marriage. Two measures to this end were introduced – one in the House and one in the Senate. Nevertheless, the Democratic leadership in both the House and Senate blocked these bills from being heard. Before the session ended, pressure was so intense to get the Senate bill on a Constitutional amendment out of Committee, that a discharge petition was circulated among Senate members. A discharge petition, which must be signed by at least 3/5ths of Senate members (translates into 30 signatures), would have recalled the legislation out of Committee, taken it away from the Democratic Senate leadership, and placed it directly on the Senate floor for consideration. Unfortunately, the petition

fell two signatures short of the 3/5ths requirement - (a total of 28). This matter continues to be a priority with CAL. Without a State Constitutional Amendment clarifying marriage is between one man and one woman, North Carolina is vulnerable to litigation by gay activists and rogue judges that could knock down our State's current prohibitions against same sex marriage.

- CAL has also been at the forefront of a push for a Federal Marriage Amendment to the U.S. Constitution by North Carolinians.

- This year CAL continued its opposition to a two-year moratorium on executions while officials study the application of the death penalty. The N.C. Senate passed the legislation for the moratorium in 2003. The N.C. House failed to take up the measure in the General Assembly's last session, making it necessary for moratorium proponents to have to reintroduce it in both chambers next year. CAL's position is that the moratorium is a disingenuous effort by Death-penalty opponents to abolish capital punishment in North Carolina. With all the pretrial, trial, appeals, writ and clemency procedures to minimize the chance of an innocent person being convicted, sentenced to death and executed today, there isn't enough compelling evidence to warrant a death penalty moratorium. And the religious opposition to the death penalty isn't really based on our nation's rich Judeo-Christian heritage, but on the vague philosophical notion that the taking of human life is wrong in every circumstance -- a philosophy that fails to distinguish adequately between killing and murder, punishment and crime.

- In 2004, CAL vigorously lobbied for a ban on video poker. Legislation that was approved by the Senate in the 2003 session was eligible, but the Democratic leadership in the North Carolina House would not allow the legislation to be heard in that chamber.

- CAL is currently seeking to mobilize North Carolinians to put pressure on North Carolina's U.S. Congressional delegation to approve a tobacco buy out for North Carolina tobacco farmers that would include giving the Food and Drug Administration authority to regulate tobacco products. CAL contends that it is incredible that the FDA can ensure the safety of every day items like macaroni and cheese, but has no authority over tobacco, a product that kills nearly a half million people in America every year.

- It is also no small accomplishment that CAL, working closely with other public policy organizations from both a conservative and liberal perspective, were able to turn back the Governor's pro-lottery forces for a fourth year in a row.

Local Option Alcohol Referenda

- In 2004, CAL assisted with seven local option alcohol referendums. The results of those referendums included: 4 victories (referendums did not succeed) and 3 losses (referendums succeeded).

For A Better North Carolina,
Reverend Mark H. Creech,
Executive Director

Reverend Coy Privette,
President

COUNCIL ON CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION
Baptist State Convention of North Carolina 2004

GREAT WORKS STAND THE TEST OF TIME

The classics. They are the books that are required reading in classrooms around the world. They are the masterpieces that hang in Louvre and other great museums. They are the compositions from Beethoven, Bach, Mozart, Strauss and countless others that are taught and studied and appreciated generation after generation.

What makes them classics? What makes them stand the test of time? Put simply, these works were developed by people who took painstaking care with their craft. Attention was paid to every individual detail as if the very life of the work itself depended on it. Love and devotion and skill were combined with each vision to produce an explosion of creativity and unique expression.

If these explanations truly define the classics and the great works, then the Baptist colleges of North Carolina belong in that very category. Five institutions that define the spirit and commitment of North Carolina Baptists draw their very essence from the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, an institution that was created in part to fulfull the mission of Christian higher education in this state.

Begun in 1830, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina has stood the test of time. Using the same qualities as the great composers, artists and authors from throughout the centuries, the Baptist State Convention has poured love and devotion and care into the pursuit of offering only the finest in college education.

Campbell University, Chowan College, Gardner-Webb University, Mars Hill College and Wingate University are the five institutions affiliated with the convention. Why is that important? Because heritage and history make for strong foundations. With the support received from the convention through scholarships, resources, prayer, encouragement and leadership, these institutions grow stronger each year in reputation, prestige, character, quality and respect.

Gifts to the Cooperative Missions Budget of the Baptist State Convention of NC last year made it possible for 499 members from 316 convention related churches to attend our five affiliated institutions of higher education. Some of the recipients would not have been able to pursue their dream of a degree from an accredited college or university without the financial assistance provided by generous Baptist like you.

Clella A. Lee, President John Roberson, Executive Director

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REPORT FROM THE NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD, SBC (NAMB) --2004 ANNUAL REPORT--

God is working through and among Southern Baptists, and the North American Mission Board (NAMB) is a key part of the team reaching North America for Chirst. In partnership with state conventions, associations and local churches, we are commissioning more missionaries, putting more money on the mission field, and starting challenging, new ministries. In 2003, gifts to the Annie Armstorng Easter Offering and the Cooperative Program helped NAMB efforts in church planting, evangelism, strategic cities, disaster relief, Canada, and much more. Following are a few highlights of what those offerings, 5,176 missionaries, 2,400 chaplains and 420,000 mission volunteers accomplished.

Reaching People for Christ

- 198 new chaplains received SBC endorsement through NAMB. The total chaplain count is 2,407, and more than 15,200 people came to Christ through their faithful sharing of the gospel in settings such as prison, military, institutional, corporate, and healthcare.
- Church and community ministry missionaries recorded 33,617 professions of faith. Literacy mission efforts resulted in 17 new churches and more than 700 professions of faith. More than 470 refugees were resettled. Hunger ministries fed 3.8 million people, with more than 24,000 professions of faith recorded.
- The Evangelism Response Center makes it possible for specially trained Southern Baptist volunteers to accept calls in their homes from people responding to evangelistic advertising about a personal relationship with Jesus. Information is forwarded to local SBC churches. There were 14,891 calls received and 406 people made salvation decisions during the call, while 2,558 referrals were made to SBC churches.

Starting New Churches

- Southern Baptists established 1,239 new congregations, and added 197 new SBC affiliated churches for a total of 1,436 new SBC churches.
- The Nehemiah Project, which has established seven church planting centers on Southern Baptist seminary campuses, trained and helped place over 118 students in short and long term church planting ministries. There are 106 people serving as short-term interns preparing for church planting roles.
- Canadian leadership set a prayer goal of establishing 1,000 healthy, reproducing churches by 2020. Partnerships were established with several SBC mega-churches to plant flagship churches in Canada.

Mobilizing Christians

- An estimated 420,000 Southern Baptist participated in short-term projects.
- More than 20,000 disaster relief volunteers from 38 state conventions responded to 75 disasters, prepared 2 million meals, and repaired 1,300 homes.
- World Changers summer mission opportunities saw more than 23,400 participants in 87 projects. More than 11,300 presentations of the gospel were made. Participants gave $183,929 to missions.

Mobilizing Missionaries

- NAMB's missionary count reached 5,176. Of this number, 3,245 are missionaries and their spouses operating under various levels of cooperative funding with state conventions and local associations, and another 1,931 are long-term Mission Service Corps missionaries with two or more years of service.
- 1,782 high school and college students answered God's call to summer, sojourner, or semester missions.

Penetrating the Culture

- Strategic Focus Cities emphasis in Miami resulted in a combined total of more than 1,380 professions of faith and 38 new SBC churches in 2003. Nearly 1,500 mission volunteers served in the For You Miami efforts.
- New Hope New York (NHNY) made strategy plans for its two years of implementation in 2004-2005. The main focus areas are: collegiate ministry, church planting, church strengthening, and leadership development.

INTERNATIONAL MISSION BOARD REPORT 2004

The IMB was forced to limit missionary appointments in 2003 because income from churches was not keeping pace with strong growth in the number of new missionaries coming forward to serve overseas. International Mission Board President Jerry Rankin set a big challenge before Southern Baptist — giving 33 percent more to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® than ever before. Many churches responded with record gifts, and the grand total of $136.2 million surpassed the $133 million National Goal!

As a result of your increased giving

- Missionary candidates are no longer being delayed for financial reasons.

- Trustees added $5 million to the 2004 budget to send 200 missionaries who otherwise would not have been sent.

- $4 million in additional funds was allocated for capital expenditures like missionary housing and vehicles.

- $4 million was added to missionary support because some missionaries planning to retire, resign or complete terms decided to stay when they heard new missionaries were being delayed.

God's work through your missionaries

In 2003 the International Mission Board reported incredible growth in God's kingdom throughout the world, with 192 new people groups hearing the gospel for the first time. The number of baptisms exceeded 500,000, and more than 420,000 new believers were engaged in discipleship training.

What you need to know for this year's offering

God longs for all peoples to worship Him. Response to the gospel around the world shows that now is His time to draw many people to Himself. He is inviting us to partner with Him through our prayers and gifts. We learned in 2003 that we can give more than we thought we could to support our missionaries. This year we can't forget that. Record giving in 2004 will allow us to:

1. Sustain missionaries on the field — including additional missionaries sent because of your generous giving in 2003.

2. Send the record numbers God is continuing to call. Even last year as the International Mission Board had to limit missionary appointments, more missionary candidates became available than ever before.

3. Reach more Unreached People Groups with the gospel!

In Memorial

Deceased Listing for Bladen Association

ABBOTTSBURG
Mrs. Esther Bass

BEARDS CHAPEL
None

BETHEL
Mr. Ballard E. Carroll, Deacon
Mrs. Eunice P. Carroll
Mrs. Lorena Cormier
Mrs. Lois Gilmore
Mr. Donald King
Mrs. Otelia King
Mr. James L. Long, Sr.
Mrs. Bonnie B. Monroe
Mrs. Margaret Russ

BLADENBORO, FIRST
Mrs. Rosa Lee Avant
Mrs. Ruby Dunn
Mrs. Rose Vaught
Mrs. Lola Mae Walters

BRIAR BRANCH
Ms. Betty Davis
Ms. Angela Mahomid
Mr. Jeffrey Smith

BUTTERS
None

CENTER ROAD
Mrs. Doretha Carroll
Mrs. Geneva Carroll
Mr. Grady Carroll
Mr. David Earl Evers
Mrs. Christine Pait
Mrs. Allie Singletary

CHRIST COMMUNITY
None

CLARKTON FIRST
Mrs. Berline Baldwin
Mrs. Vernelle Byrd
Mr. Varlan Gavin
Mrs. Gertrude Gooden
Mrs. Jeraleen Little
Mrs. Myrta Putnam

COUNCIL
MR. J.C. McDuffie

CYPRESS CREEK MISSIONARY
Mrs. Sally Folk

DUBLIN, FIRST
Mr. Kenny Brisson
Mrs. Ardena Hester
Mrs. Clara Hester

ELIZABETHTOWN
Mr. J.D. Haire, Sr.
Mrs. Maxine Marshburn
Mrs. Alma Taylor

FAITH
Rev. Clayton Tyndall, Deacon

FRIENDSHIP
Mr. James A. Smith
Ms. Carolyn N. Smith
Mr. John H. Williams, Deacon

GALEED
Mr. Greg Deavers
Mr. Larry G. Dove
Mr. Levon Downing
Mr. Jamie Feltwell
Mr. Carl H. Pait

GOOD SHEPHERD
None

GRACE
Mr. Sanky Bullard
Mr. Justin Faust
Mrs. Martha Nance

HICKORY GROVE
None

LISBON
Mr. Arglus Clark
Mr. James Collum
Mrs. Carolyn Porter
Mrs. Laura L. Prevatte
Mrs. Sarah Priest

LOVE GROVE
Mrs. Bobbie Hales
Miss Janice Martin
Mr. Joe Wilkins, Deacon

NEW BEGINNINGS
Mr. Stanley F. McMillan

NEW CENTER
Mr. Vernon Nance

NORTHSIDE
Mrs. Marjorie Butler
Mr. Howard Nelson

PEACE
None

RICHARDSON
None

RIVERSIDE
Mrs. Larue Lewis

SANDY GROVE
None

SHADY GROVE
None

SUGGS GROVE
Mr. Ronald Owen, Deacon

TAR HEEL
Mr. Ben Kinnard
Mrs. Mary Singletary
Mr. McKinnis Wilson

WEST BLADENBORO
Mrs. Yolanda N. Bookmeyer
Mrs. Melba Deaver

WHITE LAKE
Mr. J.C. Chadwick, Deacon
Mr. Julius Hester, Deacon
Mrs. Virginia McClure
Mrs. Annie L. Smith
Mrs. Hazel Smith

WHITE OAK
None

WHITES CREEK
Mrs. Nellie Splawn

ZION HILL
Mr. P.M. Bowen, Deacon
Mrs. Margaret Coleman
Mr. Lonnie Gainey
Mrs. Louise Hester
Mrs. Myrtle Hester
Mrs. Ruth Peterson
Mrs. Mildred Storms
Mrs. Isabell Thompson

Bladen Baptist Association *Treasurer - David Clark*

GIFTS FOR BUDGET
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 2004

	YEAR-TO-DATE
ABBOTTSBURG	2,650.18
BEARD'S CHAPEL	850.00
BETHEL	2,700.00
BLADENBORO, FIRST	6,666.70
BRIAR BRANCH	600.00
BUTTERS	2,100.00
CENTER ROAD	5,763.46
CHRIST COMMUNITY	825.00
CLARKTON, FIRST	3,839.54
COUNCIL	1,200.00
CYPRESS CREEK	2,455.91
DUBLIN, FIRST	6,600.00
ELIZABETHTOWN	8,400.00
FAITH	576.00
FRIENDSHIP	1,839.83
GALEED	7,500.00
GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION	0.00
GRACE	400.00
HICKORY GROVE	1,450.00
LISBON	1,747.57
LOVE GROVE	1,695.00
NEW BEGINNINGS	0.00
NEW CENTER	1,500.00
NORTHSIDE	2,273.04
PEACE	0.00
RICHARDSON	500.00
RIVERSIDE	1,000.00
SANDY GROVE	3,930.00
SHADY GROVE	4,150.00
SUGGS GROVE	2,200.00
TAR HEEL	7,882.83
WEST BLADENBORO	2,000.00
WHITE LAKE	4,425.43
WHITE OAK	1,800.00
WHITES CREEK	2,739.59
ZION HILL	5,000.00
TOTAL CHURCH GIFTS	**99,260.08**
WMU THRIFT SHOP	3,000.00
NC BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION	1,566.99
NC SALES TAX REFUND	443.20
SEMINARY EXTENSION	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS	694.37
ANNUALS	0.00
DISASTER RECOVERY	0.00
BASKETBALL LEAGUE	0.00
	104,964.64

BUDGET GIFTS TO DATE	104,964.64
BUDGET NEED TO DATE	101,345.66
AHEAD OF BUDGET GOAL	3,618.98

Bladen Baptist Association *Treasurer - David Clark*

BUDGET SUMMARY FOR
YEAR ENDING 2004

BUDGET ITEM	AMOUNT	YR-DATE	ITEM BAL
100 EDUCATIONAL AND PROMOTIONAL MINISTRIES			
101 Sunday School	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
102 Discipleship Trng.	600.00	395.65	204.35
103 Brotherhood	1,000.00	333.13	666.87
104 W.M.U.	1,200.00	966.64	233.36
105 Missions Development	300.00	0.00	300.00
106 Music	300.00	0.00	300.00
107 Evangelism	1,500.00	625.50	874.50
108 Pastoral Care	500.00	348.82	151.18
109 Audio Visuals	400.00	25.00	375.00
110 Associational Admin.	300.00	184.72	115.28
111 Seminary Extension	300.00	0.00	300.00
112 Special Training	350.00	222.44	127.56
113 Local Missions	600.00	250.00	350.00
114 Youth Ministry	800.00	740.98	59.02
115 Dis. Van-Rep. Lic. Tax	5,000.00	1,035.42	3,964.58
200 ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRIES			
201 Postage	1,500.00	1,317.60	182.40
202 Office Supplies	3,000.00	2,805.70	194.30
203 Office Equipment & Maint.	1,900.00	1,262.20	637.80
204 Utilities	3,500.00	3,806.03	-306.03
205 Bldg. & Grounds	2,000.00	952.03	1,047.97
206 Insurance/Buildings	2,125.00	2,078.00	47.00
207 Books & Literature	300.00	0.00	300.00
208 DOM Ser. Car/Travel	4,000.00	3,658.34	341.66
209 Convention & Assemb.	500.00	498.60	1.40
210 Annuity (Retirement)	3,276.00	3,276.00	0.00
211 F.I.C.A. (DOM)	5,200.75	5,200.75	0.00
212 F.I.C.A. (Secretary)	1,194.44	1,247.95	-53.51
213 Housing & Util. DOM	12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00
214 DOM Medical Spending	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
215 Annuals	500.00	500.00	0.00
216 DOM-Health/Disab. Ins	4,545.12	4,377.16	167.96
300 SALARIES			
301 DOM Salary	22,265.73	22,265.73	0.00
302 Secretary Salary	15,613.62	15,613.62	0.00
303 Clerk	1,075.00	1,075.00	0.00
400 MISCELLANEOUS			
401 Emergency	250.00	0.00	250.00
402 Dom/Sec. Christmas	750.00	750.00	0.00
403 Contingency	200.00	200.00	0.00
TOTALS	**101,345.66**	**90,513.01**	**10,832.65**

YEAR ACCOUNT SUMMARY

ACCOUNT	BAL	RECEIPTS	TOTAL CSH	EXPENSES	END BAL
Budget	113,464.88	104,964.64	218,429.52	90,513.01	127,916.51
Contingency Fund	1,805.52	0.00	1,805.52	0.00	1,805.52
Federal Taxes	0.00	960.00	960.00	960.00	0.00
F.I.C.A.	0.00	1,194.48	1,194.48	1,194.48	0.00
State Taxes	0.00	1,152.00	1,152.00	1,152.00	0.00
Annuals (01-02-03)	1,046.97	738.00	1,784.97	804.12	980.85
"Jesus" Videos	4,919.31	41,016.46	45,935.77	44,216.37	1,719.40
Assoc. Basketball	283.44	8,395.00	8,678.44	8,655.05	23.39
Disaster Rec/Tools	775.75	0.00	775.75	0.00	775.75
Annuals (2004)	0.00	468.00	468.00	0.00	468.00
Alaska/Montana Trip	332.43	5,822.00	6,154.43	6,405.51	-251.08
Leisure Ministry	0.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	0.00
Honduras Missions	0.00	15,549.27	15,549.27	14,207.15	1,342.12
Handyman Ministries	8,878.85	686.75	9,565.60	3,819.06	5,746.54
Hispanic Bible Proj	402.00	0.00	402.00	0.00	402.00
World Changers	1,612.81	150.00	1,762.81	0.00	1,762.81
Local Missions	0.00	860.35	860.35	860.35	0.00
TOTALS	**133,521.96**	**182,756.95**	**316,278.91**	**173,587.10**	**142,691.81**

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR
YEAR ENDING 2004

CHURCHES	YEAR'S RECEIPTS
ABBOTTSBURG	3,061.18
BEARD'S CHAPEL	3,422.00
BETHEL	3,108.00
BLADENBORO, FIRST	11,601.70
BRIAR BRANCH	666.00
BUTTERS	2,760.00
CENTER ROAD	6,908.46
CHRIST COMMUNITY	825.00
CLARKTON, FIRST	4,559.54
COUNCIL	1,889.00
CYPRESS CREEK	2,973.91
DUBLIN, FIRST	7,618.00
ELIZABETHTOWN	12,531.00
FAITH	576.00
FRIENDSHIP	2,106.83
GALEED	10,748.00
GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION	1,225.00
GRACE	1,590.00
HICKORY GROVE	2,338.00
LISBON	1,819.57
LOVE GROVE	2,972.00
NEW BEGINNINGS	100.00
NEW CENTER	1,650.00
NORTHSIDE	4,333.04
PEACE	0.00
RICHARDSON	824.00
RIVERSIDE	1,663.00
SANDY GROVE	3,930.00
SHADY GROVE	4,380.00
SUGGS GROVE	2,426.00
TAR HEEL	9,150.83
WEST BLADENBORO	2,018.00
WHITE LAKE	5,371.43
WHITE OAK	2,174.00
WHITES CREEK	3,839.59
ZION HILL	5,495.00
TOTAL CHURCH GIFTS	**132,654.08**
WMU THRIFT SHOP	3,100.00
NC BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION	2,366.99
NC SALES TAX REFUND	443.20
SEMINARY EXTENSION	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS	35,301.20
ANNUALS	0.00
DISASTER RECOVERY	0.00
BASKETBALL LEAGUE	5,585.00
TOTAL INCOME	**179,450.47**

BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 2004 BUDGET

	2004 BUDGET	2005 BUDGET
100 EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES		
101 Sunday School	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00
102 Discipleship Training	600.00	600.00
103 Brotherhood	1,000.00	1,000.00
104 W.M.U.	1,200.00	1,200.00
105 Missions Development	300.00	300.00
106 Music	300.00	300.00
107 Evangelism	1,500.00	1,500.00
108 Pastoral Care	500.00	500.00
109 Audio Visual (Media)	400.00	400.00
110 Association Administration	300.00	300.00
111 Seminary Extension	300.00	300.00
112 Special Training	350.00	350.00
113 Local Missions	600.00	600.00
114 Youth Ministry	800.00	800.00
115 Disaster Recovery	5,000.00	4,500.00
TOTAL	**$ 14,150.00**	**$ 13,650.00**
200 ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRIES		
201 Postage	1,500.00	1,500.00
202 Office Supplies	3,000.00	3,000.00
203 Office Equipment & Maint.	1,900.00	1,900.00
204 Utilities	3,500.00	4,000.00
205 Bldg. & Grounds Maint.	2,000.00	2,000.00
206 Insurance	2,125.00	2,125.00
207 Books & Literature	300.00	300.00
208 Services Ministries, Car, Travel (DOM)	4,000.00	4,000.00
209 Convention & Assemblies (DOM)	500.00	500.00
210 Annuity (Retirement) DOM	3,276.00	3,276.00
211 SS DOM (Reimbursement)	5,200.75	5,200.75
212 Social Security - Secretary	1,194.44	1,231.09
213 Housing & Utilities (DOM)	12,500.00	12,500.00
214 Medical Spend. Fund (DOM)	1,000.00	1,000.00
215 Annuals	500.00	500.00
216 DOM-Health-Disability	4,545.12	6,093.16
TOTAL	**$ 47,041.31**	**$ 49,126.00**
300 SALARIES		
301 Director of Missions	22,265.73	21,386.00
302 Secretary	15,613.62	16,082.00
303 Clerk	1,075.00	1,075.00
TOTAL	**$ 38,954.35**	**$ 38,543.00**
400 MISCELLANEOUS		
401 Emergency	250.00	250.00
402 DOM/Sec. Christmas Gift	750.00	750.00
403 Contingency	200.00	200.00
TOTAL	**$ 1,200.00**	**$ 1,200.00**
GRAND TOTAL	**$ 101,345.66**	**$ 102,519.00**

HISTORICAL TABLE-BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday and Thursday after the second Sunday in October, 1892, the Cape Fear Associations met at Shady Grove Baptist Church. The Churches of Bladen County were called to a meeting later in October at Browns Creek Baptist Church to discuss the organization of a Bladen County Association. Delegates at the meeting decided to organize. On November 7, 1892, delegates from the churches of Bladen County met at the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Lisbon, and organized the Bladen County Baptist Association. In the Historical Table this meeting is designated the First Annual Session. We will be featuring the last (10) Sessions.

Session	Year	Church	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher
1.	1892	Mt. Pleasant	William Brunt	H.B. Register	W.S. Melvin
100.	1991	Lisbon Elizabethtown	Charles Little	Myrtle Lockamy	Paul Forrester Carroll Fonvielle
101.	1992	Zion Hill Cypress Creek	Jerry Beck	Myrtle Lockamy	Earl Farthing Michael Thompson
102.	1993	Sandy Grove White Oak	Jerry Beck	Marjorie Smith	Dwight Cooper Jerry Beck
103.	1994	Suggs Grove Northside	Jerry Beck	Marjorie Smith	David Rutland Sidney Britt
104.	1995	Tar Heel Dublin	David Rutland	Virginia Gause	Sidney Britt James Brooks
105.	1996	Hickory Grove Cypress Creek	David Rutland	Virginia Gause	James Brooks Clyde Coates
106.	1997	Center Road Friendship	Michael Thompson	Virginia Gause	Bruce Cannon Robert Boone
107.	1998	Galeed Clarkton, First	Michael Thompson	Virginia Gause	Oren Honeycutt Dewey Jackson
108.	1999	Zion Hill White Lake	Darryll Hester	Virginia Gause	Steve Butler Richard Smith
109.	2000	Bladenboro, First Elizabethtown	Darryll Hester	Virginia Gause	Dewey Jackson Orborn Gibson
110.	2001	Bethel Sandy Grove	Gene Brisson	Virginia Gause	Jerry Beck Don Coley
111.	2002	Cypress Creek Love Grove	Gene Brisson	Virginia Gause	Richard Smith Randy Andrews
112.	2003	Butters Shady Grove	Richard Smith	Virginia Gause	Randy Andrews Warren Hill
113.	2004	Galeed Northside	Richard Smith	Virginia Gause	J.S. (Bud) Parrish Lorenzo Torres

Congregation and Member Info

Bladen Association

Legend: 1 -- Total Membership 2 -- Resident Membership 4 -- Other Additions 5 - New Member Training 6 -- Year Organized 7 -- Year Pastor Came 8 - Location (A-J) 9 -- AM Worship Att 10 -- Church-Type Missions Started 11 -- Church-Type Missions Operating 12 -- Lost/Unchurched 13 -- Assoc Mis on % Basis 14 -- Intercessory Prayer Race -- Racial Ethnic Group

CONGREGATION	C/M	1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Abbottsburg	C	157	90	0	0	1870	1996	A	30	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Beards Chapel	C	109	60	2	0	1888	2000	A	38	0	0 N	N	Y	1	
Bethel	C	229	121	7	0	1881	1988	A	107	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Bladenboro First Bap	C	313	274	7	0	1911	2003	C	225	0	0 Y	N	Y	1	
Briar Branch	C	135	87	0	0	1845	2003	A	56	0	0 Y	N	N	1	
Butters	C	109	109	1	0	1932	1999	B	62	0	0 N	N	N	1	
Center Road	C	392	268	5	0	1885	1994	A	140	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Christ Community	C	47	41	1	0	1987	1987	A	41	0	1 Y	Y	Y	1	
Clarkton First	C	327	187	3	0	1884	1989	C	70	0	0 N	Y	Y	1	
Council	C	83	34	2	0	1912	2003	A	20	0	0 N	N	N	1	
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	75	66	0	0	1853	1995	A	35	0	0 N	Y	Y	1	
Dublin First	C	407	407	18	0	1950	2000	C	197	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Elizabethtown	C	535	375	2	0	1903	1996	D	250	0	0 N	Y	Y	1	
Faith	C	76	47	0	0	1978	2003	A	25	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Friendship	C	126	93	0	0	1976	1999	A	55	0	0 N	Y	N	1	
Galeed	C	620	450	3	6	1876	2000	A	225	0	0 Y	N	Y	1	
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	41	41	0	0	1995	1996	C	100	0	0 Y	N	Y	3	
Grace	C	114	85	14	0	1957	2004	A	77	0	7 N	N	N	1	
Hickory Grove	C	315	294	6	0	1834	2004	A	140	2	2 Y	Y	Y	1	
Lisbon	C	150	90	0	0	1870	2001	B	92	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Love Grove	C	161	131	2	0	1872	1999	B	100	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	38	37	0	0	2002	2002	E	50	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
New Center	C	148	97	2	0	1947	1986	A	56	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Northside	C	245	235	7	7	1954	2003	C	128	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Peace	C	15	11	0	0	1989	1991	D	8	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Richardson	C	74	46	9	0	1914	1999	A	41	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Riverside	C	182	142	0	0	1924	1996	A	60	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Sandy Grove	C	272	189	0	0	1873	1999	A	58	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Shady Grove	C	232	210	4	0	1885	2003	A	67	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Suggs Grove	C	173	120	0	0	1832	na	A	40	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Tar Heel	C	334	221	23	0	1872	2002	A	116	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
West, Bladenboro	C	230	95	1	0	1917	2003	C	45	0	0 Y	N	Y	1	
White Lake	C	245	109	7	0	1832	1989	A	75	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
White Oak	C	219	113	10	0	1859	1998	A	71	0	0 Y	N	Y	1	
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	278	233	0	0	1914	2003	A	58	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Zion Hill	C	184	128	11	0	1885	0	A	79	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
Total:		**7,390**	**5,336**	**147**	**13**				**3,037**	**2**	**10**				

Baptism Info

Bladen Association

Legend: 3 -- Baptisms Total 3a -- Baptisms 0-5 3b -- Baptisms 6-8 3c -- Baptisms 9-11 3d -- Baptisms 12-17 3e -- Baptisms 18-29 3f -- Baptisms 30-59 3g -- Baptisms

CONGREGATION	C/M	3	3a	3b	3c	3d	3e	3f	3g
Abbottsburg	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beards Chapel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bethel	C	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Bladenboro First Bap	C	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
Briar Branch	C	5	0	0	1	1	0	2	1
Butters	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Center Road	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Christ Community	C	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Clarkton First	C	6	0	1	1	3	1	0	0
Council	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dublin First	C	6	0	1	0	2	3	0	0
Elizabethtown	C	5	0	1	2	1	0	1	0
Faith	C	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Friendship	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Galeed	C	6	0	1	3	1	0	1	0
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	14	0	0	0	0	14	0	0
Grace	C	11	0	5	1	5	0	0	0
Hickory Grove	C	9	0	1	1	6	0	1	0
Lisbon	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Love Grove	C	5	0	0	2	0	1	2	0
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	15	0	0	0	2	3	10	0
New Center	C	4	0	2	0	0	1	1	0
Northside	C	11	0	2	2	2	1	3	1
Peace	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Richardson	C	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Riverside	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sandy Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shady Grove	C	4	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
Suggs Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tar Heel	C	7	0	2	1	0	1	3	0
West, Bladenboro	C	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
White Lake	C	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
White Oak	C	8	0	4	1	2	0	1	0
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	4	0	0	0	1	0	3	0
Zion Hill	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total:		130	1	21	18	30	26	30	4

Sunday School Info - Enrollment

Bladen Association

Legend 15 -- Total SS Enrollment 15a -- SS 0-5 15b -- SS 6-11 15c -- SS 12-17 15d -- SS 18-24 15e -- SS 25-34 15f -- SS 35-54 15g -- SS 55 up 15h -- SS General Officers 15i -- Other Bible Study 16 -- SS Avg Weekly Attendance 17 -- Non-Cong Members 18 -- Vacation Bible School

CONGREGATION	C/M	15	15a	15b	15c	15d	15e	15f	15g	15h	15i	16	17	18
Abbottsburg	C	57	2	1	5	3	0	10	13	4	0	35	0	0
Beards Chapel	C	62	2	5	5	4	5	11	10	2	0	30	2	0
Bethel	C	136	12	12	19	0	20	0	35	3	0	83	0	121
Bladenboro First Bap	C	262	33	24	17	34	22	43	35	6	8	180	45	92
Briar Branch	C	61	3	10	5	6	2	14	7	5	0	32	0	68
Butters	C	83	8	8	6	10	8	15	9	0	0	65	16	100
Center Road	C	162	19	27	15	0	34	13	34	7	0	100	0	170
Christ Community	C	35	3	5	1	0	3	5	13	1	0	18	2	26
Clarkton First	C	140	13	11	17	8	3	20	24	5	0	79	11	96
Council	C	20	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	12	0	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	42	3	6	6	0	7	8	4	2	0	25	6	43
Dublin First	C	304	48	9	11	35	49	49	47	3	0	174	0	185
Elizabethtown	C	307	26	37	48	9	6	60	34	12	0	150	40	140
Faith	C	33	4	2	2	2	7	5	6	1	0	15	2	25
Friendship	C	54	3	9	7	0	1	13	7	3	0	36	3	63
Galeed	C	352	21	52	46	16	43	62	55	1	0	183	25	218
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	80	15	10	6	13	28	8	0	0	0	41	0	0
Grace	C	155	15	24	25	13	12	38	16	2	0	77	44	100
Hickory Grove	C	135	14	8	9	22	14	20	19	2	1	94	0	73
Lisbon	C	65	10	6	0	1	9	8	20	3	0	42	1	70
Love Grove	C	116	4	12	22	12	19	8	29	1	0	77	0	173
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	40	4	6	0	10	0	10	10	0	0	35	0	67
New Center	C	86	5	10	10	7	16	17	10	2	0	48	4	56
Northside	C	149	19	33	11	9	25	12	30	3	0	123	12	199
Peace	C	24	1	1	0	2	0	10	3	0	0	7	12	0
Richardson	C	45	3	2	12	2	3	4	9	1	0	22	10	37
Riverside	C	52	5	3	5	4	6	8	4	3	4	40	0	37
Sandy Grove	C	90	3	5	6	5	16	10	10	2	0	61	0	28
Shady Grove	C	79	3	6	14	14	0	0	20	13	0	52	0	94
Suggs Grove	C	88	4	5	10	4	4	15	25	4	0	45	5	69
Tar Heel	C	209	18	27	28	4	23	47	30	1	1	130	13	181
West, Bladenboro	C	55	3	3	3	3	2	10	3	2	0	40	0	0
White Lake	C	72	5	10	10	0	0	25	10	0	0	45	0	60
White Oak	C	63	3	5	13	2	2	10	11	4	0	48	9	84
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	103	9	12	14	14	6	25	6	3	2	41	6	104
Zion Hill	C	88	3	9	3	3	9	22	11	5	0	52	12	97
Total:		3,904	347	419	413	271	404	631	608	125				

Discipleship Training Info

Bladen Association

Legend: 19 -- Total Ongoing Discipleship Training 19a -- Ongoing Preschool B-5 19b -- Ongoing Child 6-11 19c -- Ongoing Youth 12-17 19d -- Ongoing Adult 18-up 19e -- DT Gen Officers 20 -- Total Short-Term DT 20a - Short-Term Preschool 20b -- Short-Term Children 20c -- Short-Term Youth 20d -- Short-Term Adults - Gen Officers DTEN (19+20) -- Total DT Enrollment/Participation

CONGREGATION	C/M	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	DTEN
Abbottsburg	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beards Chapel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bethel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bladenboro First Bap	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Briar Branch	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butters	C	20	2	1	0	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	20
Center Road	C	69	4	19	15	28	3	0	0	0	0	0	69
Christ Community	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	14	14
Clarkton First	C	58	0	0	26	30	2	0	0	0	0	0	58
Council	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dublin First	C	135	9	13	28	74	11	0	0	0	0	0	135
Elizabethtown	C	150	15	20	40	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Faith	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Friendship	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Galeed	C	158	3	9	20	121	5	0	0	0	0	0	158
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	15	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Grace	C	69	10	17	9	31	2	0	0	0	0	0	69
Hickory Grove	C	93	6	5	10	69	3	0	0	0	0	0	93
Lisbon	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Love Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	173	27	36	18	92	173
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	20	0	0	8	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
New Center	C	43	3	6	8	25	1	0	0	0	0	0	43
Northside	C	59	0	10	7	40	2	15	0	0	0	15	74
Peace	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	7	7
Richardson	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sandy Grove	C	34	3	3	4	22	2	0	0	0	0	0	34
Shady Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suggs Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tar Heel	C	65	6	10	19	28	2	0	0	0	0	0	65
West, Bladenboro	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White Lake	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White Oak	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zion Hill	C	44	3	10	7	22	2	0	0	0	0	0	44
Total:		1,032	64	123	201	608	36	209	27	36	18	128	1,241

Music Ministry Info

Bladen Association

Legend: 21 -- Total Music Ministry Enrollment 21a -- Preschool 3-5 21b - Children 6-11 21c -- Youth 12-17 21d - Adult Choir 18-up 21e - Other Music Groups

CONGREGATION	C/M	21	21a	21b	21c	21d	21e
Abbottsburg	C	10	0	0	0	10	0
Beards Chapel	C	23	2	5	3	13	0
Bethel	C	59	10	5	0	44	0
Bladenboro First Bap	C	26	0	0	0	26	0
Briar Branch	C	22	2	8	0	12	0
Butters	C	20	4	2	0	14	0
Center Road	C	40	0	13	12	15	0
Christ Community	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clarkton First	C	45	2	10	0	23	10
Council	C	15	0	0	1	14	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	10	0	0	0	10	0
Dublin First	C	145	15	25	30	60	15
Elizabethtown	C	102	12	15	20	45	10
Faith	C	30	5	4	1	15	5
Friendship	C	35	1	7	5	15	7
Galeed	C	138	5	12	30	55	36
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	8	0	1	1	6	0
Grace	C	32	6	6	5	15	0
Hickory Grove	C	69	8	8	14	36	3
Lisbon	C	28	6	6	0	16	0
Love Grove	C	45	0	0	0	20	25
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Center	C	41	3	6	8	24	0
Northside	C	67	15	10	12	30	0
Peace	C	9	0	0	0	9	0
Richardson	C	27	1	0	3	16	7
Riverside	C	17	2	3	0	12	0
Sandy Grove	C	25	4	0	0	21	0
Shady Grove	C	40	6	6	14	14	0
Suggs Grove	C	19	0	1	1	17	0
Tar Heel	C	69	1	17	16	35	0
West, Bladenboro	C	16	3	3	0	10	0
White Lake	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
White Oak	C	29	4	6	4	15	0
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	23	0	0	3	20	0
Zion Hill	C	26	0	4	0	20	2
Total:		**1,310**	**117**	**183**	**183**	**707**	**120**

Missions Involvement

Bladen Association

Legend: 22 -- Miss. Project Participation 22a -- Local Community 22b -- State 22c -- US/Canada 22d -- International

CONGREGATION	C/M	22	22a	22b	22c	22d
Abbottsburg	C	0	0	0	0	0
Beards Chapel	C	0	0	0	0	0
Bethel	C	44	20	10	7	7
Bladenboro First Bap	C	600	250	150	0	200
Briar Branch	C	0	0	0	0	0
Butters	C	1	0	0	1	0
Center Road	C	100	100	0	0	0
Christ Community	C	0	0	0	0	0
Clarkton First	C	284	57	190	25	12
Council	C	0	0	0	0	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	0	0	0	0	0
Dublin First	C	435	175	125	0	135
Elizabethtown	C	40	0	0	35	5
Faith	C	0	0	0	0	0
Friendship	C	52	26	0	0	26
Galeed	C	481	85	300	80	16
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	17	16	0	0	1
Grace	C	0	0	0	0	0
Hickory Grove	C	3	1	1	0	1
Lisbon	C	2	0	2	0	0
Love Grove	C	74	74	0	0	0
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	0	0	0	0	0
New Center	C	110	35	25	15	35
Northside	C	115	115	0	0	0
Peace	C	0	0	0	0	0
Richardson	C	6	5	0	1	0
Riverside	C	0	0	0	0	0
Sandy Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0
Shady Grove	C	50	50	0	0	0
Suggs Grove	C	21	12	7	0	2
Tar Heel	C	45	0	23	22	0
West, Bladenboro	C	0	0	0	0	0
White Lake	C	0	0	0	0	0
White Oak	C	3	2	0	1	0
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	0	0	0	0	0
Zion Hill	C	0	0	0	0	0
Total:		2,483	1,023	833	187	440

Financial - Missions

Bladen Association

Legend: 29 -- Cooperative Programs 30 -- Assoc. Missions 31 -- State Missions 32 Annie Armstrong 33 - Lottie Moon 34-- Other SBC Miss. Exp. 35 -- Non-SBC Miss. Exp TME -- Total Mission Expenditures (29-35)

CONGREGATION	C/M	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	TME
Abbottsburg	C	$5,300	$2,650	$0	$146	$230	$0	$0	$8,326
Beards Chapel	C	$600	$3,186	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$3,786
Bethel	C	$2,000	$2,700	$1,707	$1,614	$1,635	$0	$1,054	$10,710
Bladenboro First Bap	C	$30,382	$8,000	$1,638	$2,495	$4,920	$2,396	$4,774	$54,605
Briar Branch	C	$0	$600	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,300	$1,900
Butters	C	$2,000	$2,822	$262	$1,155	$1,405	$1,220	$0	$8,864
Center Road	C	$45,268	$6,287	$0	$3,850	$5,920	$3,126	$7,450	$71,901
Christ Community	C	$0	$900	$0	$150	$360	$0	$2,700	$4,110
Clarkton First	C	$12,009	$4,670	$791	$1,056	$1,786	$931	$2,230	$23,473
Council	C	$300	$1,200	$45	$550	$500	$230	$0	$2,825
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	$0	$1,683	$904	$904	$904	$0	$0	$4,395
Dublin First	C	$13,006	$6,290	$595	$2,988	$1,954	$2,100	$5,218	$32,151
Elizabethtown	C	$22,000	$8,400	$797	$1,410	$6,385	$0	$19,700	$58,692
Faith	C	$200	$765	$0	$0	$0	$50	$800	$1,815
Friendship	C	$920	$1,353	$0	$125	$151	$615	$0	$3,164
Galeed	C	$30,000	$7,500	$5,347	$4,064	$10,888	$34,054	$10,227	$102,080
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grace	C	$543	$574	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,117
Hickory Grove	C	$8,500	$1,450	$2,100	$2,844	$4,972	$2,352	$9,221	$31,439
Lisbon	C	$2,433	$1,651	$0	$600	$2,050	$0	$3,585	$10,318
Love Grove	C	$0	$1,310	$0	$0	$221	$562	$1,910	$4,003
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	$600	$100	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$700
New Center	C	$1,500	$1,500	$3,154	$1,000	$1,000	$275	$0	$8,429
Northside	C	$9,919	$2,480	$1,134	$1,705	$1,750	$0	$5,166	$22,154
Peace	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Richardson	C	$0	$500	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$500
Riverside	C	$0	$500	$0	$7,009	$797	$2,707	$978	$11,991
Sandy Grove	C	$6,000	$3,925	$1,090	$1,220	$8,419	$0	$0	$20,654
Shady Grove	C	$5,500	$4,150	$300	$1,325	$1,300	$2,110	$3,638	$18,323
Suggs Grove	C	$1,260	$2,100	$253	$740	$676	$250	$0	$5,278
Tar Heel	C	$8,270	$9,470	$250	$839	$2,498	$0	$214	$21,541
West, Bladenboro	C	$1,000	$2,000	$500	$574	$610	$1,814	$0	$6,498
White Lake	C	$3,615	$3,615	$200	$170	$438	$0	$614	$8,652
White Oak	C	$2,000	$1,800	$100	$1,442	$2,053	$7,349	$1,514	$16,258
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	$0	$3,420	$1,147	$25	$1,030	$0	$0	$5,622
Zion Hill	C	$7,500	$4,000	$2,062	$1,917	$2,289	$3,777	$700	$22,245
Total:		**$222,625**	**$103,551**	**$24,376**	**$41,916**	**$67,141**	**$65,918**	**$82,993**	**$608,518**

Financial - General

Bladen Association

Legend: 26 -- Undesignated Gifts 27 -- Designated Gifts 28 -- Other Receipts TRE -- Total Receipts (26+27+28) 36 -- Value Cong. Property 37 -- Cong.Debt

CONGREGATION	C/M	26	27	28	TRE	36	37
Abbottsburg	C	$53,016	$6,562	$0	$59,578	$380,000	$0
Beards Chapel	C	$40,896	$4,910	$0	$45,806	$200,000	$0
Bethel	C	$116,777	$9,568	$0	$126,345	$1,500,000	$0
Bladenboro First Bap	C	$283,099	$62,588	$0	$345,688	$1,500,000	$0
Briar Branch	C	$40,372	$0	$0	$40,372	$210,000	$0
Butters	C	$91,182	$2,634	$0	$93,816	$235,000	$76,997
Center Road	C	$251,515	$17,094	$4,147	$272,756	$400,000	$0
Christ Community	C	$22,783	$19,678	$0	$42,461	$200,000	$21,000
Clarkton First	C	$133,428	$7,528	$0	$140,956	$600,000	$0
Council	C	$25,895	$2,825	$0	$28,720	$69,000	$0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	$45,223	$4,688	$125	$50,036	$300,000	$0
Dublin First	C	$257,232	$72,990	$2,676	$332,898	$1,500,000	$0
Elizabethtown	C	$446,521	$71,270	$410,246	$928,037	$6,000,000	$393,000
Faith	C	$24,691	$50	$0	$24,741	$100,000	$0
Friendship	C	$64,893	$276	$0	$65,169	$570,000	$0
Galeed	C	$329,003	$55,652	$0	$384,655	$1,500,000	$0
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	$8,242	$0	$0	$8,242	$300,000	$0
Grace	C	$54,639	$17,952	$0	$72,591	$250,000	$13,000
Hickory Grove	C	$127,396	$17,767	$15,181	$160,344	$35,000	$0
Lisbon	C	$78,201	$10,318	$0	$88,519	$330,000	$0
Love Grove	C	$101,305	$0	$0	$101,305	$750,000	$0
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	$36,386	$10,557	$0	$46,943	$0	$0
New Center	C	$4,313	$25,069	$0	$29,382	$500,000	$0
Northside	C	$154,007	$4,589	$0	$158,596	$250,000	$0
Peace	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Richardson	C	$2,650	$15,000	$0	$17,650	$287,625	$0
Riverside	C	$147,865	$2,842	$0	$150,707	$350,000	$0
Sandy Grove	C	$93,730	$12,284	$0	$106,015	$1,655,000	$0
Shady Grove	C	$78,820	$52,751	$0	$131,571	$750,000	$0
Suggs Grove	C	$73,620	$6,258	$1,202	$81,080	$1,050,000	$8,000
Tar Heel	C	$166,114	$33,332	$0	$199,446	$1,550,000	$0
West, Bladenboro	C	$83,332	$7,633	$0	$90,965	$1,000,000	$20,000
White Lake	C	$72,234	$4,799	$16	$77,049	$5,000,000	$725
White Oak	C	$62,668	$6,668	$8,118	$77,454	$850,000	$0
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	$73,290	$1,100	$0	$74,390	$820,000	$0
Zion Hill	C	$112,844	$6,384	$200	$119,428	$265,000	$0
Total:		$3,758,182	$573,617	$441,911	$4,773,709	$31,256,625	$0

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One Hundred-Fourteenth Annual Session of the BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION October 24, 2005 - October 25, 2005

Theme: Holy Hearts, Healthy Churches, Helping Hands

MONDAY EVENING - OCTOBER 24, 2005
Friendship Baptist Church

The One Hundred-Fourteenth Annual Session of the Bladen Baptist Association met at Friendship Baptist Church at 5:45 p.m. with dinner for the pastors, spouses and guest. The registration began at 6:30 following a Prelude Concert by Rev. Jason Atkinson, Music Director.

Moderator Dewey Jackson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The call to worship began with the congregation singing the hymn, "Glorify Thy Name". Rev. Ray Wilkins, host pastor, welcomed the messengers, pastors and guest to the session and opened with prayer. The congregation sang, "He Hideth My Soul".

ORGANIZATIONS:

ENROLLMENT OF MESSENGERS: Mrs. Virginia W. Gause, Clerk, made a motion that these and any other messengers who might register later constitute the One Hundred-Fourteenth Annual Session of the Bladen Baptist Association. There were forty one (41) messengers, twenty (20) pastors and twenty five (25) guests, making a total of eighty six (86) present. The motion received a second and passed.

ADOPTION OF PROGRAM: Rev. Richard Smith made a motion for the adoption of the program and Rev. Ray Wilkins seconded the motion and was approved.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MINISTERS: DOM Bruce Cannon introduced the new pastors as follows: Rev. Kevin Maples, Bethel (not present); Rev. Clayborn Faircloth, Interim at Briar Branch; Rev. Larry Pittman & wife, Clarkton; Rev. Jerry Beck, Sandy Grove; Rev. Barry Swain, Suggs Grove; Rev. David Rutland, Interim, White Lake; Rev. Mack Roberts, Interim, Tar Heel; and Rev. Bobby Winebarger, Butters.

DOM Cannon introduced Dr. Marty Dupree, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and Mr. Bill Boatwright, Eastern Area Representative with the Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina. Mr. Boatwright brought greetings to the session and also said that he would be glad to speak at any of the churches. He emphasized that 100% of the money given to the Retirement Homes went directly to the Baptist Retirement Homes Benevolence Fund and is used to compensate the cost of care for people in the assisted living or nursing care facilities. He also indicated that once a person is in the Baptist Retirement Home it is a life time accommodation. He gave his thanks for the money that is given to the Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina.

Moderator Dewey Jackson brought to the attention of the session that Preacher & Place Committee is composed of the following: Rev. Richard Smith, Rev. Jerry Beck and Rev. Jason Atkinson and emphasized that if anyone would like to host the annual meeting for next year to make contact with this committee. They will report at the Tuesday evening session. The Resolution Committee is: Rev. Scott Lewis, Rev. Chad Ivester and Rev. Boyd Britt. If anyone has a resolution to present at the Tuesday evening session report to this committee.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Rev. Richard Smith, Chairman of the Watch Care Committee read a letter from the Good News Baptist Church which reads as follows: "On behalf of the congregation and me, Rev. Larry Hayes, Pastor, we would like to be considered into membership of the Bladen Baptist

Association. This church was established in January, 2001 and is presently located in Bladenboro, North Carolina. The attendance averages about 25-30 on Sunday morning and about 15-20 on Sunday evening. Sunday School is at 10:00 a.m. and worship service at 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening services is at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday evening worship and prayer services at 7:30 p.m. Thank you for considering Good News Baptist Church in the Bladen Baptist Association. May the Lord continue to bless you and your endeavors in this county."

Rev. Richard Smith, Chairman, Watch Care Committee, presented the letter that the Good News Baptist Church be accepted into the Bladen Baptist Association. This presentation will be voted on at the evening session on Tuesday. Committee composed of: Rev. Richard Smith, Chairman, Rev. Walter Hayes, Rev. Scott Lewis, Mrs. Ethelene Barnes, Mrs. Etta Smith and Mrs. Virginia W. Gause.

DOM Cannon made reference to a matter of business that was brought up at the July 2005 Executive Session that the annual meeting be changed from October to later in November or in early January and this proposal was investigated. He stated that most of the churches close out their books the last of September and the reports to be turned into the associational office in October and the time frame was short for the reports to be brought in to be prepared for the annual meeting. He reported that due to the time frame that the Bladen Baptist Associational office has to get their report into the State office would not allow the change for the time frame; therefore Rev. Smith withdrew his motion that the annual meeting date be changed.

Rev. Kincy Barrow elaborated on the Theme Emphasis: Holy Hearts, Healthy Churches, and Helping Hands. Testimonies from the following people were used to expound upon the theme: Mr. Thurman Bass, Mr. Jamie Thompson, Rev. Larry Pittman, Mr. Steve Hester and Rev. Jerry Beck.

The evening worship service began with the Friendship Baptist Church and White's Creek Baptist Church singing, "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound" and " I Stand Amazed At The Presence of the Lord". Dr. Marty Dupree delivered the annual sermon entitled: "Life Is A Mission Trip."

Rev. Jerry Beck made a motion at 9:05 p.m. that the session be dismissed to reconvene on Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. at Whites Creek Baptist Church.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 25, 2005
Whites Creek Baptist Church

The afternoon session of the Bladen Baptist Association opened at 3:00 p.m. with registration and Mrs. Gretta Jackson rendering a musical prelude. Moderator Rev. Dewey Jackson opened the session and Rev. Kincy Barrow welcomed all messengers, pastors and guest at 3:15 p.m. Mrs. Lori Barrow sang "Lord I'm At Your Mercy."

DOM REPORT: See page 29 of Book of Report. He also reported that a team of fourteen (14) will be leaving to go to Honduras on next Monday. On November 6th a team of 15 plus will be going to Gulfport, Mississippi. He also indicated that Bladen County needs a drug treatment center and we have to find a way to reach the roughly 3500 to 4500 youth who are not involved in any church in Bladen County. He urged Christians to keep on praying, giving, loving and serving. DOM introduced Mrs. Brenda Gray and a group of young people she brought from the Children's Home.

The White's Creek choir rendered a praise medley in song, led by the pastor, Rev. Kincy Barrow.

DIVISIONS REPORTS:

WMU: Mrs. Judy Elkins reported. See page 31, Book of Report.

BAPTIST MEN: Mr. Thurman Bass reported. See page 31 of Book of Reports.

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING: Mrs. Leah Lewis reported: See page 30 of Book of Report.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Rev. Kincy Barrow reported. He encouraged the churches to make their Sunday School and evangelistically ministry. He indicated Sunday School is the church organized to do the work of the church. He encouraged anybody who might know of anyone who is interested in working in the youth and the children's area to please let him know. He also needs a Vacation Bible School Director. He also explained a new program that would be working with five churches at the time. It is a process that will never end and it will require several meetings and he indicated that he would be glad to work with any church who would need extra training. He said that Whites Creek will be one of the five churches needed to start the pilot program and will need four more to join in the group. Rev. Barrow volunteered to go in to any church that needs help with their Sunday School program.

MUSIC: DOM reported for Jason Atkinson, Music Director. He said that they had continued to work on having an associational choir clinic. He encouraged all to participate and churches will be notified at a later date with more details. See page 33, Book of Reports.

LEISURE MINISTRY: See page 33, Book of Reports. DOM reported in the absence of Rev. Walter Hayes. He reported that there were camp ground services from Memorial Day through Labor Day. He reported that there were 814 who attended the camp ground ministry over the summer months. He encouraged new teams to work during next summer and to contact Rev. Hayes if interested.

YOUTH REPORT: DOM Cannon reported for Rev. Darin Andrews. DOM said they were looking at bringing in a ministry called Team Killer.Com, the website is www.teamkiller.com . This would enable us to be able to go into all of our high schools and middle schools and have assemblies and services in the evening.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME: Mrs. Brenda Gray, Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, brought greetings from the Children's Homes and thanked this association for their support. She also introduced students that she brought with her from the Cameron Boys Homes. The students introduced themselves and shared their stories and testimonies. The boys gave their thanks for all the help they receive from the Baptist Association. They sang several songs for the congregation.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Moderator Jackson recognized Rev. Richard Smith, Chairman of Watch Care Committee. Rev. Smith, representing the committee, recommended that the Good News Church be accepted into the Bladen Baptist Association. There were no questions and the recommendation was approved with a unanimous vote.

DOM Cannon referred to pamphlets that Mr. Tom Denton had left on "Making Your Will", which is published by the North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc. He asked anyone wishing the material left by Mr. Denton to pick it up at the table when leaving the meeting. Mr. Denton had to leave early to speak at the Jacksonville associational meeting. There is an estate planning meeting in January in relation to making your will planned by the state.

DOM stated that a team of missionaries is leaving on November 1 going to Honduras to a remote area. He stated that they were in need of a van to carry them to the Raleigh/Durham Airport and for the return trip on November 9.

Mr. Thurman Bass asked workers to help build a chapel for troubled boys in the White Lake Area.

The afternoon worship service began with singing the hymn, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Mrs. Gretta accompanied on the piano. Rev. Dewey Jackson delivered the Moderator's Message. He took his text from Acts 19:8-12. After the sermon the congregation sang the hymn, "Trust and Obey." After the benediction dinner was served by the host church at 6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 25, 2005
Whites Creek Baptist Church

The call to worship began with music rendered by Whites Creek Baptist Church Choir, led by Rev. Kincy Barrow. Rev. Barrow led in prayer.

IN REMEMBRANCE: Mrs. Ella Rae Roberts read the names of the deceased members from all the churches and lit the memory candle. She read an appropriate poem at the closing of the remembrance time.

Mr. Scott Lewis, Vice Moderator, presided for the remainder of the session. He called for the committee reports:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EVANGELISM: DOM Cannon reported. See report on page 32 of Book of Reports. Dr. Daryl Covington has left his pastorate at White Oak Baptist Church and is now on the mission field. He is going into the areas of the Philippines and Korea doing mission work.

NOMINATING: DOM reported for this committee. See pages 3-6 of the Book of Reports. He urged us to pray for all these officers and committees and to pray for the vacant positions.

FINANCE: Mrs. Ella Rae Roberts reported in the absence of Mr. David Clark. See pages 52-55 of the Book of the Reports. She also called attention to pages 50-51, Congregation Summary. This information was taken from the churches annual profile and if there are any questions to notify her at the office.

HISTORIAN: Mr. Gene Smith reported for Mrs. Ethelene Barnes. See page 35, Book of Reports. He also referred to the two churches who were profiled on the front and back pages of the Book of Reports which were Faith and Northside Baptist Church.

PREACHER AND PLACE COMMITTEE REPORT: Rev. Richard Smith presented that the Annual Session be at Dublin First Baptist Church on Monday and Riverside Baptist Church on Tuesday in 2006. The preacher will be Rev. Chad Ivester and alternate will be Rev. Scott Lewis. The report was approved as presented.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT: Rev. Chad Ivester made the following resolution: "Be it resolved that the messengers of the one hundred fourteenth session of the Bladen Baptist Association thank the leadership of Friendship and Whites Creek Baptist churches for their hospitality, fellowship and gracious spirit in hosting the annual session. We would also thank our associational leadership for the well planned program which provided a meaningful celebration of our work together." Submitted by Rev. Chad Ivester, Rev. Scott Lewis and Rev. Boyd Britt. This resolution report was accepted with a unanimous vote.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Rev. Richard Smith presented Rev. Larry Hayes, pastor of Good News Baptist Church to the Association and for his comments.

Rev. Michael Skinner was recognized and he told of the needs of the Tiffany Meares family. There is a fund that has been opened by Shady Grove Baptist Church which is the "Meares Fund."

The evening worship service began at 7:45 p.m. with the congregation singing the hymn, "Serve the Lord With Gladness." The Whites Creek Church Choir rendered songs. The scripture and prayer was given by the host pastor, Rev. Kincy Barrow after which Lieutenant Bruce Foggiano with the North Carolina Highway Patrol gave his testimony after which the message was brough by Rev. Mike Penry, Deputy with the Wake County Sheriff's Department.

Inclosing, the congregation sang "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus." After the benediction by Rev. Bobby Winebarger, Rev. Richard Smith made a motion that the One-Hundred Fourteenth Annual Session be closed. Rev. Jerry Beck seconded the motion at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Rev. Dewey Jackson, Moderator
Mrs. Virginia W. Gause, Clerk

MESSENGERS TO ASSOCIATION
2005

ABBOTTSBURG--Mrs. Eva Cashwell, Mrs. Gladys Stephens, Miss Jane Thompson, Mrs. Jane Walters, Rev. Dewey Jackson

BEARDS CHAPEL--Ms. Thelma Barnes, Mrs. Lois Smith, Rev. Bobby Trott

BETHEL--Ms. Margie Bordeaux, Mrs. Betty Ray Brisson, Mr. M.A. Brisson, Mrs. Ceceile Bryan, Mrs. Dianna Roberts, Rev. Kevin Maples

BLADENBORO, FIRST-- Rev. Bert Young

BRIAR BRANCH--Mrs. Katie Smith, Mr. Robert Smith, Mr.Troy Smith, Mrs. Ida Suggs, Rev. Clayburn Faircloth, Interim

BUTTERS--Mrs. Grace Parnell, Mrs. Mary Spence, Rev. Bobby Winebarger

CENTER ROAD--Mrs. Margie Evers, Mr. Winford Evers, Mr. Warren Dowless, Rev. Vernon Britt

CHRIST COMMUNITY--Rev. Leon Warren

CLARKTON, FIRST--Mr. Richard Batten, Rev. Barry Helms, Mrs. Greta Jackson, Mrs. Kim Pittman, Rev. Larry Pittman

COUNCIL -- Mrs. Bonny Cox, Mr. Hobson McCullock, Mrs. Rachel McCulloch, Mrs. Princie McDuffie, Rev. Jack Miller

CYPRESS CREEK -- Mrs. Mittie Smith, Rev. Richard Smith

DUBLIN FIRST -- Ms. Lucille Andrews, Mrs. Peggy Hill, Dr. R.L. Summerlin, Rev. Cameron McGill

ELIZABETHTOWN --Dr. David Elks

FAITH -- Mr. Thomas Ray Barbour, Mr. Tommy Barbour, Rev. Larry West

FRIENDSHIP -- Mrs. Jackie Wilkins, Rev. Ray Wilkins

GALEED -- Mrs. Alice Conner, Mr. H.C. Edwards, Rev. Mike Smith, Mrs. Florence Suggs, Rev. J.S. (Bud) Parrish

GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION -- Rev. Lorenzo Torres

GRACE -- Mrs. Debbie Edwards, Mr. Adam Williams, Rev. Greg Packer

HICKORY GROVE -- Mr. Franklin Allen, Mr. John T. Henry, Rev. Charles Brust

LISBON -- Mrs. Virginia Gause, Ms. Annie Sasser, Rev. Chad Ivester

LOVE GROVE -- Mr. Johnnie Gibson, Mrs. Kaylon Marks, Rev. Randy Andrews

NEW BEGINNINGS -- Ms. Ann Cashwell, Rev. Steve Butler

NEW CENTER -- Mr. L.T. Brown, Mr. Tom Ellis, Rev. George Langley

NORTHSIDE -- Mrs. Bernice Bass, Mr. Thurman Bass, Mr. Kay Meismer, Mr. Floyd McKnight, Rev. Scott Lewis

PEACE -- Rev. Buddy Cain

RICHARDSON -- Rev. Darin Andrews, Mr. Chris Merritt, Mrs. Billy Faye White, Rev. Richard Mabe

RIVERSIDE -- Mrs. Joanne Long, Rev. Currie Long

SANDY GROVE -- Mr. Charles Adams, Mrs. Katie Adams, Mrs. Ruth Carson, Mrs. Nellie Kinlaw, Rev. Jerry Beck

SHADY GROVE -- Mr. Alfred Edwards, Mr. Douglas Thompson, Rev. Michael Skinner

SUGGS GROVE -- Mrs. Pait Bragg, Ms. Margaret Edge, Ms. Reba Edge, Ms. Marlene Tew, Ms. Jean Tew, Rev. Barry Swain

TAR HEEL -- Mrs. Ann Sessoms, Mr. Howard Sessoms, Mr. Lynn Singletary, Mrs. Mavis Singletary, Dr. Mack Roberts, Interim

WEST BLADENBORO -- Mr. W. J. Lewis, Rev. Boyd Britt

WHITE LAKE -- Mr. Bill Davis, Mr. Dave Myers, Rev. David Rutland, Interim

WHITE OAK -- Mr. Steve Hester, Mr. Tommy Hunsinger, Dr. Daryl Covington

WHITES CREEK -- Mrs. Lori Barrow, Mr. Shelton Bordeaux, Mrs. Ruth Harrelson, Mrs. Gail Norris, Rev. Kincy Barrow

ZION HILL -- Mr. Mark Allen, Mrs. Doris Brisson, Mr. Gene Brisson, Mr. Earl Brown, Ms. Gladysteen Pait, Rev. W.C. Baxley

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TAR HEEL--Miss Vivian Wilson, 910-862-6266
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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF
BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME: The name of this body shall be Bladen Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II - MISSION: It is the Mission of this body to provide opportunity to member churches affiliated with it for cooperative efforts in carrying out the evangelistic and ministry directives of Jesus Christ; further to encourage and assist, when possible, each member church in doing the same.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP: The Association shall consist of messengers and executive committee members who are members of the affiliated churches as follows:

1. Each church of fifty (50) members or less shall be entitled to three messengers, and for each additional fifty (50) members an additional messenger, provided that no church shall have more than five (5) lay messengers active and voting at one time. Each church shall be entitled to an equal number of alternate messengers who shall serve in the absence of the messengers. The messengers who compose the Association must come from churches that believe in practicing New Testament doctrine as set forth in *The Baptist Faith and Message.*

1. Each church shall be entitled to one executive member and senior pastor to serve as set forth in Article IV.
2. The Pastors
3. The elected officers of the Association.

ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE BOARD: The Executive Board shall consist of the officers of the Association, together with a pastor and a layman from each affiliated church. The Executive Board is charged with the duty of executing the plans and decisions of the Association and the employment and direction of the Associational Director of Missions. A full report of its work shall be presented at each Fall Session, together with plans and recommendations for the promotion and extension of the work of the Association. The Executive Board shall act for the Association between sessions in conformity with the expressed decisions of the body. A vacancy occurring between sessions may be filled for the remainder of the year as set forth in Article VI (1) (c) of this constitution.

ARTICLE V - AFFILIATED CHURCHES: A Missionary Baptist Church desiring fellowship in the Association may submit a written request for membership at a Fall session, and may be received under the watchcare of the Association for a period of time to the next ensuing Fall Session, and then upon recommendation of the Committee On Membership, such church may be received as a member by two-thirds favorable vote of the duly qualified messengers in attendance at such session.

Any member church in good standing shall be entitled to a letter of dismissal and recommendation to another similar body. Such letter may be from the Association in session or by the Executive Board between sessions.

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS:

(1) The Executive Officers of the Bladen Baptist Association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer. Other officers shall be Stewardship Director and Historian.

(a) Officers shall be approved at the April Executive Committee meeting and duly elected at the annual meeting. Nominees will be presented by the nominating committee or from the floor. All nominations must be with the prior consent of the nominee. They shall serve for one year beginning at the close of the annual meeting and ending at the close of the next.

(b) A qualified parliamentarian, well versed in Robert's Rules of Order, shall be appointed by the moderator during his term of office.

(c) If the office of Moderator becomes vacant, the vice-moderator shall become moderator for the rest of that term. Other vacancies in associational offices shall be filled by the Executive Committee on recommendation of the Nominating Committee or from the floor, with prior consent of the nominee(s).
(d) A Moderator shall not serve more than two years in succession.

ARTICLE VII - DIVISION DIRECTORS

(1) A Division Director shall be approved by the Executive Committee during its April Meeting and duly elected at the annual meeting, for Sunday School, Discipleship Training, WMU, Brotherhood, Evangelism, Music, Seminary Extension, Church Media, Missions Development, Leisure Ministry, Youth, and other organizations which may be added by the Association. Nominations may be presented by the Nominating Committee or from the floor with the prior consent of the nominee(s).
(a) The Division Director will begin serving in October following election but will be responsible for planning the program and budget for year under his/her direction.
(b) Each Director will select workers for that area and present them to the Nominating Committee for approval prior to the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee will then present the workers to the Association for approval at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - ASSOCIATIONAL COUNCIL: The Associational Council shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Directors of each division. The staff members of the Associations shall serve in an ex-officio capacity. The Associational Council shall serve in an advisory capacity to assist in planning, promoting, guiding, and calendar planning for the total Associational Program. It will meet regularly prior to each Executive Board Meeting and Annual Session. It will consider, review, and/or prepare recommendations concerning the Associational Program for action by the Executive Board and/or Association.

ARTICLE IX - COMMITTEES:

(1) Standing Committees shall be as follows and others may be added as deemed necessary by the Executive Board or Association. They are to be nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected at the Annual Meeting:

Nominations	Constitution	Ordination
Membership	The Office Building and Grounds	
Finance	DOM Relations	

(2) Associational Committees: The Moderator shall appoint the following committees at the July Executive Board Meeting: (a) Committee on Place and Preacher for the following year, (b) Committee on Resolutions, (c) Committee on Enrollment, (d) Membership Committee, if needed, and (e) any other committees which may be authorized by the Association. These committees shall report during the annual session.

ARTICLE X - PROCEDURE: The business of the Association shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order, unless otherwise provided for in the Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENT: This Constitution may be amended at any session of the Association by a two-thirds vote, provided: the amendment has been presented in writing at an Executive Board meeting prior to Annual Session, and read to the Association the first day of Annual Session, to be voted on the second day.

ARTICLE XII - ADOPTION: Upon adoption, this constitution shall become effective at the close of this session of the Bladen Baptist Association.

BY-LAWS
OF
BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

I. NAME

The name of this body shall be Bladen Baptist Association as set forth in Article I of the attached constitution. The location shall be Elizabethtown, Bladen County, North Carolina.

II. FAITH

This Baptist association accepts the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament as our rule of faith and practice. It affirms the doctrinal positions set forth in *The Baptist Faith and Message*, and hereby incorporates that statement into these bylaws.

III. PURPOSE

As set forth in Article II of the attached constitution.

IV. POLITY AND RELATIONSHIPS

The government of this association is vested in the members who compose it. It is subject to the control of no other ecclesiastical or political body or bodies.

We realize there is mutual helpfulness in working with other associations of like faith and practice as to encourage the spirit of fellowship and good will. We also recognize that there have been devised, through the voluntary cooperation of churches of like faith and order, organizations whose purpose it is to implement the missionary, educational and benevolent interests and obligations of this association and its affiliated churches. Believing that the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention are organizations which have as their sole purpose the promotion and support of missions; education and benevolence of the character and in keeping with the spirit of the Bylaws and Constitution of this association, we therefore voluntarily agree to participate in the programs and ministries of these organizations.

V. MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATION

Section A: Requirement and Procedure

Membership will be as set forth in Article III and IV of attached Constitution of this body, namely the Bladen Baptist Association.

Section B: Duties of Affiliated Churches

1. *Cooperation:* Any church affiliated with this body shall support the same financially and be sympathetic with the purpose and mission of this body. Any voting member of this body must first be a member of an affiliated church.

2. *Provide Annual Church Profile (ACP)*: Each affiliated church shall send to the clerk of the Association fourteen (14) days prior to the Fall Session of the Association, on forms furnished by the Clerk, a full report of the church work for the year ending September 30th.

Section C: Rights of Affiliation and Membership

1. Each affiliated church has a right to be represented by messengers or executive committee members as set forth in article III and IV of attached constitution of this body, who in turn shall have the right to vote on all matters brought before this association.

2. Any member of an affiliated church is eligible for consideration by the membership of the association for nomination to any elective office in the association.

Section D: Termination of Affiliation

Church affiliation with this association may be terminated in the following ways:

1. By the affiliated church's request. The affiliated church may write a letter of request that its affiliation with Bladen Baptist Association be terminated. Such termination shall be effective as of the date the request is received and approved.

2. By exclusion. The association, after due notice and a reasonable opportunity for hearing and kindly efforts to make such action unnecessary, may terminate the affiliation of churches who fail to be supportive financially or fail to be sympathetic with the doctrine and purpose of this association.

VI. MEETINGS

Section A: Business.

Quorum. 12 affiliated churches represented by voting messenger(s) or executive board members shall constitute a quorum

1. Annual Sessions of the Association shall be held on Monday evening and Tuesday afternoon and evening following the fourth Sunday in October.
2. Quarterly Sessions: The Executive Board shall meet on Tuesday following the third Sunday of January, April, and July.
3. Special meetings may be called by the moderator or the director of missions provided one week advanced notice is given to the affiliated churches.

Section B: Procedure.

All meetings of the Association shall be opened with a devotional service followed by the order of business or agenda and closed with prayer. *An order of business shall be adopted at the beginning of each annual session which shall be changed only by a two-thirds vote of the body.*

Section C: The Associational Year

The associational year and reports shall cover October 1st through September 30th. The fiscal year shall be January 1st through December 31st.

VII. OFFICERS:

Section A. Generally

Executive Officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer. Other officers shall be stewardship director, historian and such others as the association shall determine. For all such officers the association shall establish and set forth in the bylaws, their means of selection and duties. All officers must be members in good standing of an affiliated church and serve at the pleasure of the association.

Duties of Executive Officers

a. Function as Board of Directors. The currently serving Executive Officers shall meet and acting together, constitute the Board of Directors of Bladen Baptist Association. Such Board of Directors shall change by and in the same procedure as Executive officers change. In their capacity as directors, they shall have the duties and responsibilities attendant to Directors, subject however to the limitation set forth in the charter bylaws and constitution. The Directors shall not have power, except as expressly authorized by the association, to purchase or sell or encumber any real or personal property, to install or remove officers or staff, to amend the Charter, bylaws or constitution, or to bind the corporation to any contract.

b. Corporate Officers. The Moderator shall, whenever required by law or practice, serve as the President of the Corporation, having however only such express powers as are granted by the association, and having no power absent such express authorization to bind the corporation in any matter or act for it. In a similar manner and subject to the same limitations, the Vice-Moderator shall be authorized to act as the Vice-President.

Section B. Moderator.

The moderator shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually as set forth in article VI of the attached constitution. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings of the Association. He/She shall be a member of the Executive Board, and as opportunity may permit, shall act as fraternal visitor to the churches throughout the year, representing the fellowship of the entire association.

Section C. Vice-Moderator.

The Vice-Moderator shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually as set forth in article VI of the attached constitution. The Vice-Moderator shall preside in the absence of the moderator. He/She shall be a member of the Executive Board, and as opportunity may permit, shall act as fraternal visitor to the churches throughout the year, representing the fellowship of the entire association.

Section D. Clerk.

The clerk shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually. The Clerk shall work with the Associational Staff in keeping an accurate record of the proceedings of the association, and shall prepare and cause to be published and distributed, as directed by the Association or Executive Board, minutes and statistics of the Association as soon as practical after adjournment of the Fall Session. He/She shall mail the necessary forms and letters to the clerks of the churches affiliated with the association six weeks before they are due. Copies of the annuals shall be provided without charge for the officers, and provided for affiliated churches as requested by payment. A copy shall be sent to each department of the Baptist State Convention and other institutions and individuals as the Association or Executive Committee may direct.

Section E. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually. The Treasurer shall work with the Associational Staff to receive all receipts of the association, disburse them according to its order, and present a printed report of the same to the Fall Session of the Association and to the Executive Board.

Section F. Stewardship Director

The Stewardship Director shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually. The Stewardship Director shall be responsible for Stewardship promotion working with the Director of Missions and subject to the supervision of the Executive Board.

Section G. Historian

The Historian shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the association annually. The Historian shall encourage churches to preserve their historical material, to publish a church history from time to time, and to observe their special anniversaries. He/She should maintain an Associational Historical Collection.

VIII. COMMITTEES

Section A. Generally

Committees of the association shall be nominated by the nominating committee and elected annually by the association except those committees appointed by the moderator. Such committees are clearly designated in the by-laws and constitution. There are two types of committees, standing and special. Standing committees are listed in these by-laws while special committees are elected by the association in accordance to need.

Section B. Duties

1. THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE: The Program Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Director of Missions, Director of Music and Pastors of the host churches. The vice-moderator shall be chairman of this committee. It shall prepare a printed program for the Annual Meeting and distribute copies to program personnel and pastors at least thirty (30) days in advance. The committee shall present the program for adoption by the association and manage any adjustments.

2. FINANCE COMMITTEE: This committee shall consist of five members whose duty it shall be . . . to supervise the financial program of the association and to report to the Executive Board regarding the same at each quarterly meeting. The Finance Committee shall submit to the Executive Board at the July Meeting, a budget for the coming year. The budget will be voted on at the Fall Session of the Association.

3. NOMINATING COMMITTEE: This Committee, composed of 5 members, shall nominate officers, Division Directors and committee members as set forth in Article V and IX of this constitution. It shall also nominate associational representatives for convention institutions and agencies are deemed appropriate by the Executive Committee or association. Vacancies occuring between annual sessions shall be filed by the Executive Board upon presentation of nominee(s) by this committee.

4. CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE: This committee, composed of three members, shall be available to review study and propose changes in the constitution, and make recommendations to the association regarding any changes.

5. ORDINATION COMMITTEE: This committee, composed of five (5) members shall, when requested by a member church, assist in the examination and ordination of candidates for the Gospel Ministry.

6. DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS RELATIONS COMMITTEE: This Committee, composed of four (4) members, shall work with the Director of Missions in keeping his job description up to date, abiding by the guidelines adopted for the relationship, reviewing compensation and time arrangements, arranging for mutual evaluation sessions, handling criticisms of the Director of Missions and hearing his complaints, helping with staff difficulties, and dealing with any problems that may arise.

7. COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS: This committee, composed of three (3) members and appointed by the moderator, shall study proposed resolutions and make its report in the final session of the annual meeting.

8. COMMITTEE OF PLACE AND PREACHER: This committee, composed of three (3) members is appointed by the moderator. It shall seek out and recommend meeting places for annual sessions. It shall also recommend preachers and alternates for the Fall Sessions.

9. COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT: This committee is appointed by the moderator and shall be composed of five (5) members. It shall work with the office staff to prepare for and direct the enrollment of messengers at each of the annual sessions.

IX. DIVISION DIRECTORS

Section A. Generally

Division directors are nominated by the nominating committee and elected annually by the association according to procedure set forth in article VII of the attached constitution. A director for each of the following divisions shall be elected: Brotherhood, Discipleship Training, Deacon Consultant, Evangelism, Leisure Ministry, Media, Missions Development, Music, Seminary Extension, Sunday School, Womans Missionary Union, and Youth.

Section B. Duties

1. It shall be the responsibility of each Division Director to coordinate and assist the work of each committee or program group in that particular division.
2. The Division Director shall make quarterly progress reports to the Executive Board and shall prepare and submit a written annual report for the Book of Reports not later than the last scheduled meeting of the Executive Board prior to the Annual Session.
3. The Division Director shall serve on the Associational Council to help plan and coordinate the total associational ministry.
4. The Division Director shall prepare and submit a budget request for his/her division to the Finance Committee by July 1, prior to budget year planned.

X. PARLIAMENTARIAN

The Parliamentarian shall be appointed by the moderator and shall be well versed in Robert's Rules of Order.

XI. DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

Section A. Election

The Director of Missions shall be elected upon the recommendation of a duly elected search committee. Nominees for the Search Committee shall be presented by the Nominating Committee to the Executive Board who shall be responsible for electing the same. The Search Committee shall then search out and recommend a qualified candidate to the Executive Board for Election. The term of office for the Director of Missions shall be until terminated by mutual consent or at the official request of either party.

Section B. Duties

The Director of Missions shall have general oversight of the work of the association, cooperating with all elected officers of the association and member churches. The Director shall be an exofficio member of all committees, councils and organizations of the association. His duties shall be carried out in accordance with agreed job description.

Section C. Vacancy

When a vacancy occurs and during the interim period, *the Associational Council shall seek out and recommend an interim Director of Missions to the Executive Board.*

Section D. Grievances

Any matter relating to the Director of Missions which is not covered in this constitution or covenant agreed upon by the association and the Director of Missions shall be referred to the DOM Relations Committee who in turn will make recommendations to the Executive Board if and when necessary.

XII. REVENUE

The Bladen Baptist Association shall be supported through contributions from the affiliated churches and individual gifts. Gifts other than undesignated monies, shall be accepted at the discretion of the Finance Committee.

XIII. SALARIES OF OFFICERS

Salaries of the Director of Missions of the association, as well as any other officer, shall be such amount as may be provided for in the Annual Budget and approved by the association in its Fall Session.

XIV. MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION

1. The Minutes of all sessions of the association shall be examined, approved, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk, before being printed.

XV. AUDITOR

1. The Auditor shall examine the financial books and records of the association and submit a detailed report covering his audit at such time as may be required by the Executive Board or the Association.

XVI. VISITORS

1. Visitors are welcome to attend any business session of the Bladen Baptist Association, but without deliberation or voting privileges. Vistors may speak at the discretion of the moderator.

XVII. AMENDMENTS

1. These By-Laws may be amended at any annual session of the association by a two-thirds vote, provided the proposed amendment has been presented in writing at an Executive Board meeting prior to Annual Session, and read to the Association the first day of Annual Session, to be voted on the second day.

XVIII. EFFECTIVE DATE

1. These By-Laws or any additions or amendments thereto shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Submitted by Constitution Committee
Mr. Worth Hester
Ms. Josie Carroll
Mrs. Florence Suggs

Adopted
October 28, 1997

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY
2005-2006

OFFICERS, PROGRAM LEADERS AND COMMITTEES

MODERATOR--Rev. Dewey Jackson, 309 Bradshaw Rd., Bladenboro, NC 28320, 648-4524

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CALENDAR 2006

JANUARY 2006

1	New Year's Day
12-13	Vocational Evangelists Conference, Caraway
17	**Bladen Baptist Executive Committee, Assoc. Office**
20-21	NCBM Board Meeting, Caraway
20-21	NC WMU Executive Board Meeting, Cary
22	**NC Baptist Men's Day in the Churches**
25	**Deadline for Student Summer Applications**
25-26	**Assoc. Staff/Convention Staff Meeting, Caraway**
26-27	Preschool & Children's Ministries Continuing Ed. Retreat, Caraway
27-29	Retreat for Undergraduate Women Feeling a Call to Missions/Ministry, Camp Mundo Vista
30	Baptist Singers' Concert
30-Feb. 1	Pastor's Exploration Learning Experience, Caraway
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**

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FEBRUARY 2006

3-4	National Challengers Rally, Pigeon Forge
3-4	Mother/Daughter Camp, Mundo Vista
3-4	Specialist Training - Central (Rick Hughes)
4	NC Baptists All-State Youth Choir Auditions
5-12	**Week of Prayer and Special Offering for Baptist Retirement Homes**
6-7	**State Evangelism Conference, Location TBA**
9-11	Preschool and Children's Ministry Certification, Mills Homes
11	NC Baptists All-State Youth Choir Auditions
13-19	**Focus on WMU**
17-19	Summer Missions Interviews, Caraway
19	**Volunteers in Missions Day**
20-23	Ministerial Tax Issues, BSCNC Annuity Business Services
24-25	Statewide Youth Ski Retreat, Winterplace WV
24-25	**Baptist Mission Conference/Baptist Men's Convention, Winston-Salem**
27	**Pastor's Awareness Learning Experience, Eastern Assoc.**
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**

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MARCH 2006

2-3	Preschool and Children's Ministry Certification, Mills Homes
3-4	State Youth Choir Festival
3-4	Innovative Church Conference w/Rick Hughes, Integrity Community Church
4	**Children in Action Day**
4	**RA Car Race Day**
5-12	**Week of Prayer for North American Missions and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**
16-18	**Prayer Evangelism Conference, Biltmore Church in Asheville**
17-18	**Cross Cultural Training**
21	**Church Administration Seminars/Basic Church Administration, Phil Stone BSCNC**
21-22	**New Minister Orientation**
24-26	**BSU Spring Conference, Location TBA**
25-26	**Special Education Workers State Wide Training, Caraway**
30	**Handbell Festival's Team Meeting, Rockingham First**
TBA	**Early Bird VBS Clinic**
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**

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APRIL 2006

1	**RA Congress**
1	**Girls in Action Day, Mundo Vista & other locations**
7-8	Interfaith Conference, led by Marty Dupree TBA
7-9	Spring Fling I, Caswell
10-13	Retirement Growth Conferences, Annuity-Business Services
11	Church Building Conference - East, Garner FBC
12	**State Youth Bible Drills and Youth Speakers Tourn.**
16	**Easter**
17	**Easter Monday, Association Office Closed**
18	**Bladen Baptist Executive Committee, Assoc. Office**
21-22	**Men's Ministry Conference, Caswell**
21-23	Spring Fling II, Caswell
21-23	Single Adult Retreat, Caswell
21-23	**State Acteen's Conference, Ridgecrest**
21-23	**NC WMU Missions Extravaganza, Ridgecrest**
24	Baptist Singers Concert
24	Pastor's Awareness Learning Experience, Whiteville
28	**State Youth Bible Drills and Youth Speakers Tourn.**
28-29	Father/Son Overnight (Grades 1-6), Caraway
28-30	Spring Fling III, Caswell
28-30	Blind Fellowship Retreat, Caraway
29	State Bible Drills
30	Deadline for Nomination of Acteens Panelists
30-May 1	Senior Summer Celebration, Caswell
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**
TBA	**Bladen Baptist WMU Annual Meeting**

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MAY 2006

5-7	State Media Library Workshop, Caswell
6	**Girls in Action Day, Mundo Vista & other locations**
7-14	**Week of Prayer and Special Offering for Baptist Hospital (Mother's Day Offering)**
11	**Region 3 Baptist Men's Rally, TBA**
12-13	Cross Cultural Training, TBA
12-14	Deaf Youth Retreat, Caraway
12-14	Together in Christ Deaf Conference, Caraway
12-14	Interpreter's Training Conference, Caraway
13	Ag Missions Hands-On Workshop, Campbell
14	**Mother's Day**
15	Baptist Singers Concert
19-20	NC WMU Executive Board, Mundo Vista
20	State Bible Drills Finalists and Tournaments
21-28	**Associational Week of Prayer and Offering**
22-24	BSU Student Summer Missions Orientation and Youth Minister Training, Meredith
26-28	Couples Spring Break, Caswell
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**

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JUNE 2006

	White Lake Campground Ministry begins
2-3	Multi-Cultural Preaching Conference
2-4	Hispanic WMU Annual Meeting, Caraway
5-10	Summer Youth Week I, Caswell
11	Christian High Adventure begins
11-12	**WMU, SBC Missions Celebration and Annual Meeting, Greensboro**
12	Caraway Summer Camp for Boys begins

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JUNE 2006 continued

12-17	Summer Youth Week II, Caswell
12-17	Family Fun and Focus Week, Caswell
12-16	GA Camp, Mundo Vista
13-14	**SBC Annual Meeting, Greensboro**
13-20	Deep Impact, Honduras
18	**Father's Day**
19-23	Ridgecrest Music Week
19-24	Summer Youth Week III, Caswell
24	Demonstration Day at the Ag Farm, Campbell
26-30	GA Camp, Mundo Vista
26-July 1	Summer Youth Week IV, Caswell
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**

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JULY 2006

2-5	Camp Angel Tree, Mundo Vista
3-8	Music Week at Caswell
4	**Independence Day, Assoc. Office Closed**
9-15	Deep Impact, Honduras
10-11	**Associational Summer Conference, Caraway**
10-14	GA Mother/Daughter Camp, Mundo Vista
14-15	WMU Associational Leadership Team Training for New Leaders, Caraway
15-16	**Bi-Vocational Ministers Conference, Caraway**
17-21	GA/Acteens Camp, Mundo Vista
17-21	Grace For The Journey, Caraway
17-22	Summer Youth Week V, Caswell
18	**Bladen Baptist Executive Committee Meets, Assoc. Office**
21-23	Youthful Offenders Retreat, Mundo Vista
24-28	GA Camp, Mundo Vista
24-29	Summer Youth Week VI, Caswell
29-31	Happiness Retreat I, Caraway
31-2	Happiness Retreat II, Caraway
31-4	GA Camp, Mundo Vista
31-5	Summer Youth Week VII, Caswell
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**
TBA	**World Changers in Bladen County**

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AUGUST 2006

4-6	Lay Renewal Conference, Caswell
5	Women Reaching Women Training, Charlotte
7-11	Conference By The Sea I, Caswell
7-12	Summer Youth Week VIII, Caswell
14-16	Professional Church & Associational Secretaries' Certification Seminars, Greensboro
18-19	Lay Witnessing Conference, Caraway
21-25	Conference By The Sea II, Caswell
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**

AUGUST

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SEPTEMBER 2006

	White Lake Campground Ministry Ends
4	**Labor Day, Assoc. Office Closed**
8-9	**Women's Prayer Evangelism Conference, Ridgecrest**
10-17	**Week of Prayer & Special Offering for NC Missions**
12-14	Prison Retreat for Incarcerated Women, Caraway
15-16	NCBM Board Meeting, Cary
15-16	Fall Bible Study Leadership Equipping Seminars, Caraway
15-16	NC WMU Executive Board Meeting, Mundo Vista

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SEPTEMBER 2006 continued

18-20	Surviving Conflict in Ministry, Greensboro
18-22	Retirement Choices Conferences, Annuity-Business Service
22-23	Lad/Crusader Camporee, Caraway
23-24	Lad/Crusader Camporee, Caraway
27-1	National WMU Event, Ridgecrest
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**

OCTOBER 2006

2-4	Fall Senior Adult Conference I, Caraway
4-6	Chaplains' Retreat, Caraway
5-7	Preschool and Children's Ministry Certification, Mills Homes
6-7	Game Day, Merrie Johnson
6-7	Celebrando de Mejur Latina, Caswell
8	**World Hunger Day**
9-11	Fall Senior Adult Conference II, Caraway
13-14	New Ministers' Wives Retreat, Mundo Vista
13-14	Curtain Call, Winston Salem
13-14	Cross-Cultural Training
13-14	RA/Challenger Leadership Training
13-15	Fall Youth Retreat, Caswell
13-15	Literacy Missions Retreat, Caraway
24-25	**Bladen Baptist Association Annual Meetings**
27-28	WMU Potential Leaders Training, Mundo Vista
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**

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NOVEMBER 2006

2-4	Preschool and Children's Ministry Certification, Mills Homes
3-4	Young Women's Retreat, Ridgecrest
5-9	Grace For The Journey, Caswell
5-12	**RA Week in the Churches**
6	**Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer**
6-8	NC Baptist Secretaries' Association Conference, Caraway
9	**Region 3 Men's Ministry Rally**
10-12	NC Baptist Conference For The Deaf, Caraway
12-19	**Week of Prayer and Special Offering for Baptist Children's Homes**
13-15	**Baptist State Convention Annual Session, Winston Salem**
17-19	Fall Youth Retreat II, Caswell
23	**Thanksgiving, Assoc. Office Closed**
TBA	**Bladen Baptist Pastor's Conference**
TBA	**M-Night in the Association**

NOVEMBER

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DECEMBER 2006

2	**WMU Day at Operation Christmas Child**
3-10	**Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**
4	**WMU Days at Operation Christmas Child**
25	**Christmas**
TBA	**Pastor's Christmas Party**
25-29	**Association Office Closed Week of Christmas (25-29)**
31	**New Year's Eve**

DECEMBER

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
January 18, 2005

The Executive Board met at the Bladen Baptist Association Center on January 18, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. with Moderator Dewey Jackson presiding. Rev. Scott Lewis led in devotion and prayer.

Moderator Jackson recognized DOM Cannon who explained who constituted the Executive Board. There can be two members from each church. Usually the pastor will serve on the committee and one other church member. In the event the pastor cannot serve on the committee then two lay members would serve. DOM explained that there may be more than two members from any church present at the Executive meeting but only the elected two members are eligible to vote during the business meeting.

The roll call of churches was made by Mrs. Virginia Gause, Clerk. There were fourteen (14) churches and seventeen (17) members present.

Rev. Walter Hayes made a motion that the reading of the last minutes be approved as printed. There was a second to the motion and was approved with a unanimous vote.

REPORTS:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: No Report

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING: Mrs. Etta Smith gave the following report: M-Night was held at Hickory Grove Baptist Church on November 22, 2004 with one hundred-sixteen (116) in attendance representing nine (9) churches. The banner went to Hickory Grove with forty-two (42) in attendance. Hickory Grove and Dublin choirs presented the music and Mrs. Phyllis Elvington was the speaker.

There are five churches planning to participate in the Bible Drills this year. This is the largest number of churches to participate. She asked for prayer for each church and each leader. At this time there is no Youth Drill leader. There has been a couple of youth that have been in Children's Drills who would like to help with the Youth Drill.

BROTHERHOOD: Mr. Thurman Bass reported the following projects that the Baptist Men had completed as of this date: Two handicap ramps in the Center Roads area; one handicap ramp on the Chicken Foot Road in the Tar Heel area; one handicap ramp in the Pine Ridge area of Bladenboro; painting and minor repairs on a home in Bladenboro and work continues on the Richardson Fellowship Hall.

Upcoming events are as follows: January 23, 2005 is Baptist Men's Day in our Baptist Churches. February 25 and 26 there is a Baptist Mission Conference and Baptist's Men Convention at Hickory Grove Baptist Church in Charlotte, N.C. February 3 is the final day for reservations. April 1-2, 2005 will be Region 3 Disaster Relief training in Lumberton, N.C. The location will be announced later.

MUSIC: Mr. Jason Atkinson reported that due to inclement weather last year the plans for the associational choirs had to be canceled. Plans again will be made to establish the associational choir and the goal will be for the choir to sing at the annual meeting this year and information will be sent to the churches at a later date. He would like to see the churches take advantage of the support from the State Baptist Convention and there will be a music clinic at Fort Caswell the first week in July. They would also furnish nursery facilities during the clinic. There will also be a clinic at Camp Caraway in the Fall and more information will be available for anyone interested.

ANNUITY: No report.

WMU: Mrs. Judy Elkins reported that WMU has been involved with many activities. They worked with the community and other civic organizations helping with the Care Packages that were sent to our service men and women who were serving in Iraq. There was a wellness retreat that was provided by Center Roads Baptist Church WMU. Mrs. Phyllis Elvington was the guest speaker who spoke on food for the mind, body and soul. They also had a spa treatment for those interested after the morning program and a delicious luncheon. WMU also helped Galeed with the Shoeboxes to Honduras and helped with Operation Christmas Child and with the Appalachian Church Planning Group. The Annual Meeting for 2005 will be on April 12, 2005 at Clarkton Baptist Church. The WMU took part last summer in the mission trip to Montana with Backyard Bible Study. They also took part in preparing boxes at Christmas for the women in prison. They took part in getting clothes and school supplies for a volunteer to take her on a mission trip helping build churches and school in Haiti.

MEDIA/LIBRARY: No report. DOM asked permission from the board to dispose of real old filmstrips and other material that is in boxes taking up space that cannot be used. Rev. Richard Smith made the motion to give the DOM permission to dispose of the material that would no longer be of use to the association. Rev. Michael Skinner seconded the motion and it was carried with no opposition.

MISSIONS DEVELOPMENT: Rev. Walter Hayes reported. He said there is material and funds available for anyone who would like to do any kind of mission work on the inside during the months. He said that one church had a street ministry. They go out on the streets every Saturday, pass out tracts and minister to the people. He also stated that again this summer there would be ministries going on around the campground at White Lake. He encouraged the churches to get involved with this ministry. He said that if any church has any singing group or any other type ministry to contact him, as he would like to see even more work being done.

STEWARDSHIP: DOM reported in absence of Mr. David Clark, Treasurer. The Treasurer's report had been mailed to each executive member. DOM presented the report in the form of a motion for acceptance as printed. The motion was seconded by Rev. Walter Hayes and was approved.

EVANGELISM: Included in DOM's report.

DOM REPORT: DOM share the following information: Every Wednesday morning at both of the high schools in the county there is devotion from 7:30 A.M. until 7:50 A.M. for anyone who would like to attend. Students, administrators, teacher and guest may attend the devotion.

He said that one of the schools in the county had collected bottled water and hand sanitizers to be sent to South East Asia. He reported that there is a freight company out of Wilmington that will ship the supplies at no cost. They have personnel in Asia that will receive the supplies and distribute them to the needy people. Other supplies such as clothes and other items have also been received. If any other group would like to get involved to let him know. He asked that the supplies be packaged for shipment when brought to the associational office.

The RA & GA basketball season has begun. There are 45 teams of youth that are participating. The games will be held at Elizabethtown Baptist Church, Dublin School and Bladenboro School.

DOM asked Rev. Chad Ivester to report on the upcoming VBS clinic that will be held at Lisbon Baptist Church. The date will be announced later. The Early Bird Clinic will be in March.

There was a mission banquet held this past Saturday at Center Road with about 120 present. Mr. Mark Abernathy, SBC, was speaker and he talked about the partnership we have with Vermont State and they are looking for teams to go on mission trips there. Vermont is the second most unchurched state in America. There will also be missions needed in the following areas: Honduras for two more years, Hawaii, American Samoa, and Cuba. He said that if any of the churches are interested in any of these mission fields that he would be glad to do the necessary paper work for the trip.

He said that the 6-foot wooden cross that is being passed across America would be in the county in April. There will be a Cross Walk Youth Rally to be held on April 9, 2005 at 4:00 P.M. at the Bladenboro Middle School. He also said that he had met with the Key Leaders last week and many plans are being made to promote the gospel throughout the county.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

DOM presented the following additional officers in the form of a motion from the Nominating Committee: RA Director: Mr. John Davis; Chairman of Evangelism: Dr. Darryl Covington; and Sunday School: Rev. Kincy Barrow. The motion to accept these officers received a second and was approved.

Rev. Richard Smith made a motion that the Building Committee make arrangements for installation of a wheel chair ramp at the front entrance of the Associational Building. There was a second and the motion carried with no opposition.

Rev. Richard Smith made a motion that we add a line item 404 to our budget to allow for Pastor's Conference Fund. The motion was seconded and carried. This line item would be funded by the pastors or anyone who would make a gift for this expense.

DOM read a proposed change from the Constitution Committee to the Amendment XVII of the By-Laws: "that the By-Laws may be amended at any annual session of the association by a two-thirds vote provided the proposed amendment has been presented in writing at any Executive Board meeting prior to Annual Session and read to the association the first day of the annual session to be voted on the second day. This amendment coincides with the Amendment under the Constitution Article XI".

Mr. Gerald Smith expressed his concern about the association adopting a resolution that marriage is between a man and a woman. There was discussion and Moderator indicated that a matter like this would need to be presented in writing to the Executive Board. He also expressed the need for prayer in this matter.

DOM reported that we have 36 churches in the association with two executive members from each church and several key leaders who attend the board meeting. This can present a parking problem and he wanted the board to think about the possibility of changing the board meeting to another location that would have ample parking space. This problem would be brought up again at a later Executive Board Meeting.

Rev. Richard Smith made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 8:25 P.M. Rev. Dewey Jackson closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted by:
Moderator, Rev. Dewey Jackson
Clerk, Mrs. Virginia W. Gause

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
April 19, 2005

The Executive Board met at the Bladen Baptist Association Center on April 19, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. with Moderator Dewey Jackson presiding. Rev. Richard Smith led in devotion and prayer.

The roll call of churches was made by Rev. Bruce Cannon, Director of Missions. There were fifteen churches represented with a total of twenty nine present which included twenty four board members and five guests.

Moderator Jackson directed everyone's attention to the minutes of the previous meeting. Rev. Cannon pointed out a correction that had to be made in the minutes with regard to changing the name of the person who introduced a marriage resolution from Gerald Smith to Gene Smith. Rev. Richard Smith made a motion that the minutes of the January meeting be approved as corrected.

REPORTS:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Rev. Cannon reported in the absence of Rev. Kincy Barrow. A Sunday School Assist team, which would be a resource the churches could contact for help with Sunday School, is in the process of being formed. Rev. Cannon asked those present to make recommendations of persons within their church family who could be trained to serve in this capacity.

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING: Rev. Cannon reported in the absence of Mrs. Etta Smith. The Association Bible Drill was held at Zion Hill on March 19th. Two youth from Center Road Church, Ashley Smith and Amanda Smith, will be going to the state drill on Friday, April 29th, at Village Baptist Church in Fayetteville. Two children from Zion Hill Church, Morgan Johnson and Haley Gooden, will be going to the state drill on Saturday, April 30th, at Village Baptist Church.

BROTHERHOOD: Mr. Thurman Bass reported that a handicap ramp was built in the Bladenboro area; another was moved from Elizabethtown to Bull Street in Garland.

On April 1st and 2nd Elizabethtown Baptist Church hosted the Disaster Relief/Recovery Training for Region 3. An estimated 454 persons registered and received the training. Region 3 has 131 Disaster Trailers that can be called out to help in disaster situations. We would like to extend a special "Thank you" to the Elizabethtown Baptist Church and to the many volunteers from around the Association who came together to make this a success.

Upcoming Events include: summer camp for RA's. On Monday, April 25th volunteers are needed to help move a ramp from the Shady Grove community to the Whites Creek area. On Thursday, May 12th the Region 3 Baptist Men's Rally will be held at the Lumberton First Baptist Church. The meal is free but reservations have to be made by May 5th.

World Changers will be in Bladen County June 11th through 18th. Host Churches are needed to help feed the crews while they are in the area.

MUSIC: Rev. Jason Atkinson reported of a survey that would be sent to the churches to see what their music needs are. He also reported of an Associational Choir Clinic that would be held in the summer.

WMU: Rev. Cannon reported in Judy Elkins absence. The WMU Associational Rally was held on Tuesday, April 12th at the First Baptist Church of Clarkton. It was well attended. Rev. Bob and Betty Jo Hensley, retired missionaries to Central America, were the guest speakers and did and outstanding job. The Hensleys encouraged the Association to send as many teams as possible to Central America to help alleviate the hunger, poverty, medical and spiritual needs that are present. After the rally finger foods were enjoyed by everyone.

Also, Bladen Baptist Association hosted Cross Walk during the week of April 3rd through 10th. This was a Youth on MIssion activity designed to challenge youth to take up their cross and follow Jesus in their daily lives.

MEDIA/LIBRARY: Rev. Cannon reported in the absence of Mrs. Wendy Cannon. The Association is in the process of disposing of old filmstrips and materials that are no longer needed (or able to be used). This will make room for newer materials and provide space for a music library in the process of being developed. Easter and Christmas Cantatas are now available for use, at no charge, to any of the churches in the Association.

MISSIONS DEVELOPMENT: Rev. Walter Hayes encouraged everyone to be in much prayer for the evangelistic efforts that are currently underway. Morning devotions are being conducted at each county High School on Wednesdays. The White Lake Campground services will be beginning soon.

STEWARDSHIP: Rev. David Clark directed everyone's attention to the packet mailed to each Executive Board member. These packets included the budget information for the Association. He expressed thanks to the churches for giving to the work of the Association.

EVANGELISM: Rev. Cannon reported for Dr. Darryl Covington. Baccalaureate services will be held at both High Schools on Wednesday evening, May 18th. Churches are encouraged to move their prayer services to the schools for joint worship services. Plans are also underway to have guest speakers in the high schools during the fall and spring of this next school year.

DOM Report:

Rev. Cannon expressed thanks to the churches for supporting the Gideons in Bladen County and to the pastors who attended the Gideon Pastor/Wife Banquet.

The food being collected for the Baptist Children's Home will have to be in the Association Office by the 21st of April as a truck will be coming by shortly afterward to collect it and take it to the Odom Home.

The VBS Clinic is scheduled for April 23rd, 12:00 pm, at Lisbon Baptist Church and will include a meal. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

World Changers will be coming to Bladenboro again, June 11th through 18th. Host churches are needed to feed the work crews. Churches interested in doing this can contact the Association Office.

The Medical/Dental Bus of the NC Baptist Men will be in Bladen County on July 9th and 10th. Volunteers are needed to work with this mission project which will provide medical and dental services to those who cannot afford it.

A Medical Missions Trip is planned for Alubaren, Honduras November 1st through 9th. To get ready for this trip an interest meeting is scheduled for April 26th, 7:30 pm, at the Association Office.

Rev. Cannon introduced two new pastors to the Executive Board. Bethel Baptist Church called Rev. Kevin Maples as pastor. Suggs Grove Baptist Church called Rev. Barry Swain as pastor. Both men were in attendance at the meeting.

Rev. Cannon closed with a prayer request for Rev. Greg Packer, Grace Baptist Church, who is having significant heart problems.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT: Rev. Cannon gave the Nominating Committee Report in the absence of Mr. Gerald Smith. The following names were placed in nomination:

Moderator: Rev. Dewey Jackson; Vice Moderator: Rev. Scott Lewis; Clerk: Mrs. Virginia Gause; Asst. Clerk: Mrs. Wendy Cannon; Treasurer: Mr. David Clark; Historian: Ms. Ethelene Barnes; Auditor: Mr. David Edge; Sunday School: Rev. Kincy Barrow; Discipleship Training: (Blank); WMU Director: Mrs. Judy Elkins; Baptist Men's Director: Mr. Thurman Bass; Music Director: Rev. Jason Atkinson; Evangelism Director: Dr. Darryl Covington; Pastoral Ministries: Rev. W.C. Baxley; Annuity Consultant: Rev. Vernon Britt; Deacon Consultant: Mr. Craven Sealey; Missions Development: Rev. Walter Hayes; Stewardship: Mr. David Edge; Prayer and Spiritual Awakening Director: Rev. Bud Parrish

COMMITTEES: Constitution: Mr. James Melvin; Building & Grounds: Mr. Marshall Long; Finance: Mr. David Clark; Ordination: Rev. Vernon Britt; Seminary Extension: Rev. Bud Parrish; Media/Library: Mrs. Wendy Cannon; Director of Missions Relations: Mr. Harvey Bedsole; Leisure Ministry: Rev. Walter Hayes; Hispanic Ministry: Mr. Harvey Bedsole; Youth: Rev. Darin Andrews; Nomination: Mr. Gerald Smith; Recreation: Mr. John Clark.

A motion was made by Rev. Richard Smith to approve these nominations. After a second they were approved without opposition.

OLD BUSINESS: Mr. Gene Smith presented a resolution in writing to approve marriage as being one man and one woman at one time. Mr. Smith read the resolution and moved that Bladen Baptist Association adopt it. After a second, there was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Rev. Cannon asked Mr. Harvey Bedsole to report on the wheelchair ramp that will be built by the Association. Mr. Bedsole has been working with Marshall Long to locate a place for the ramp and propose the style. Construction for the ramp should begin soon.

Rev. Cannon also reported on the need to move the Executive Board meeting from the Association Office to a larger location. There is a total of 72 Executive Board members who are invited to attend the meeting and another 15 to 20 Key Leaders that need to be present. He pointed out that there was not sufficient parking to accommodate such numbers and that the Association Office could not provide ample meeting space for that many people. He asked the Board members to be considering possible options for this problem and make a proposal at the July meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rev. Chad Ivester introduced a motion to have the Bladen Baptist Association affirm the 2000 Baptist Faith and Message as its rule of faith and practice. A second was given and discussion followed. Differences in the 1963 and 2000 versions were discussed briefly. The motion failed with only five board members voting in favor. The motion was amended, Rev. Walter Hayes, to send the matter to the Constitution Committee for review as this would require a change in the Constitution and Bylaws. This motion was approved. Moderator Jackson announced his intention to appoint a committee of 5 to 7 people to serve in an advisory capacity to the Constitution Committee for this matter. Because primary motion did not carry, amended or secondary motion is considered dead.

Motion was made by Rev. Walter Hayes to purchase a second video projector as the one currently owned by the Association is in such high demand. A new system, comparable to the old, can be purchased for around $1,500.00. After a second, the motion was approved.

Rev. Cannon reported for the Building and Grounds Committee that the roof needed to be replaced. The shingles on top are the original ones and are curled and have allowed water to leak into the Office. Rev. Richard Smith moved to replace the old shingles. After a second the motion was approved.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rev. Ray Wilkins at 8:50 pm. Rev. Dewey Jackson closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted by:
Moderator: Rev. Dewey Jackson
Director of Missions: Rev. Bruce Cannon

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
July 18, 2005

The Executive Board met at the Bladen Baptist Association Center on July 19, 2005 at 7:30 pm with Moderator Dewey Jackson presiding. Rev. Jerry Beck led in devotion and prayer.

The roll call made by Mrs. Virginia Gause, Clerk. There were twelve (12) churches represented with a total of eighteen (18) present.

Mr. Jason Atkinson made a motion that the minutes of the April 19, 2005 be approved. Mr. David Clark seconded the motion. Motion was approved with no corrections.

Moderator Jackson recognized DOM Cannon who made comments regarding an action taken at the April 19, 2005 meeting. The motion was made by Rev. Chad Ivester that the Bladen Baptist Association affirm the 2000 Baptist Faith and Message as its rule of faith and practice. Reference to this motion and action is under New Business on the third page of the April 2005 meeting. Rev. Cannon said that the action that was taken regarding this motion

was not handled properly. He said that any time a change is to be made in the Constitution and the By-Laws it needed to be introduced, and not made in the form of a motion, in writing at an executive meeting previous to the annual meeting, and it would be read on the first day of the annual meeting and voted on the second day. The action that was taken pertaining to this matter should not have been acted upon until the annual meeting.

REPORTS:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The committee is looking to establish a Sunday School Assist Team. They are looking for people who are called to work with youth and children.

DISCIPLESHIP: DOM Cannon reported in the absence of Mrs. Etta Smith. There were two youth from Center Road Church that participated on the state level at Village Baptist Church in Fayetteville on April 29, 2005. One was a state winner.

On April 30, 2005, three children participated in Bible Drill at Village Baptist Church on the State level. Two of them were from Zion Hill and Tar Heel. They did a great job.

It is time to begin Bible Drills for next year. Mrs. Smith urges the churches to participate and she would be glad to assist in any way possible.

BROTHERHOOD: Mr. Thurman Bass reported the following report:

One handicap ramp was built and two relocated.

World Changers were here on June 11-18 and completed a total of seven jobs: three ramps, two roofs, two general repairs and did some painting. They will return on July 22, 2006.

Fifty-three youth and leaders went to Duluth, Georgia this month (July) to do mission work.

Rev. Darryl Covington and family left July 18 going to China for a two week mission trip.

Up-coming events are:

August 5 & 6 three men will be going to the Association Brotherhood Leaders Training at Camp Caraway.

Three men from Northside will attend Church Brotherhood Training. Any other church needing this training should complete an application by July 22, 2005.

A team of 25 people is needed to help stabilize a retaining wall of a church in Honduras. This will be late September for one week.

On September 22 the Bladen Baptist Men/WMU Rally Training will be at Galeed Baptist Church. A meal will be catered at 6:30 pm.

October 21 & 22 the Medical/Dental Bus will be at Northside to service the Hispanic community.

MUSIC: Mr. Jason Atkinson reported and encouraged the churches to use the music material available at the Association Office. He reported that August 20th is another target date to establish the associational choir. Information will be mailed out to the churches. He urged all church choirs to participate.

WMU: No report.

MEDIA/LIBRARY: DOM Cannon reported that they were still in the process of disposing of real old film strips and other material that was in boxes that could not be used.

ANNUITY: No report.

MISSION DEVELOPMENT: No report.

STEWARDSHIP: Mr. David Clark presented the 2005-2006 Budget for approval. Copy of the budget was given to all executive members. The motion was approved with no opposition. See copy of budget attached to minutes.

EVANGELISM: DOM Cannon reported that Rev. Darryl Covington is in China now working in mission work as a fertilizer salesman.

DOM: DOM Cannon reported: Members of the Shady Grove Baptist Church will be having a benefit to help pay the medical expenses for Mr. Benny Britt, who has cancer. He has undergone extensive radiation/chemo. treatments which have left him very weak. He has been in Wilmington for the past weeks for the treatments, two per day, and has not been able to work. The event will start at 4:00 pm on July 30th and the menu will consist of BBQ, chicken, cakes, pies and ice cream. This will be a donation only benefit. No money will be charged for the food. Please support this and come if you can.

There will be a Deacon Training/Retreat on September 26 & 27. The event will be led by Eddie Hammett of the BSCNC. Eddie is an excellent communicator and is very passionate about the position of deacon and about the well-being of the local church. He will be speaking on the Deacon's Role Outside the Church. It will be well worth everyone's time that is able to attend.

The Bladen Baptist Association Annual Meetings are scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, October 24 & 25, 2005. The Monday session will be at Friendship, with the Tuesday meeting being at Whites Creek. We believe this will be a very good meeting and invite everyone to attend.

The Medical/Dental Bus of the NC Baptist Men will be at the Northside Baptist Church on Friday and Saturday, October 21 & 22. Please be in much prayer for this effort. Health kits are needed and need to include a toothbrush, toothpaste, bar of soap, deodorant, washcloth and a copy of the Scriptures. Volunteers are needed.

The Medical Missions Trip to Alubaren, Honduras is on schedule. The team will depart on November 1st and return on November 9th. Please be in much prayer for this mission. Cloth diapers are needed as many of the infants have no diapers whatsoever. This a very poor area.

See You At The Pole is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14th. The Associational office will be promoting this and encouraging everyone to be involved. Last year about 3000 were involved in SYATP.

We are very grateful for World Changers who came in and replaced the roof of the Association Office. The roof was in great need and had a good amount of damage on the top. Several larger pieces of plywood had to be replaced because of the rot.

First Baptist Church of Clarkton called a pastor, Dr. Larry Pittman this past Sunday. Rev. Pittman and his wife, Kim, have two grown children and should be moving within the next two months.

DOM Cannon thanked all the churches for their support to the association.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Rev. Chadwick Ivester reported that he had met with his church at the last business meeting and they had voted to withdraw the proposal for a Constitution Change regarding the Baptist Faith and Message.

Rev. Walter Hayes made a motion to buy a new projector for the associational office. The motion received a second and so carried.

NEW BUSINESS: DOM presented the Calendar for 2006 for adoption and making it permissible for any additional activities to be entered at a later date. DOM made a motion that the calendar as presented be adopted. The motion received a second and so carried.

DOM Cannon presented the Associational Directory for 2005-2006. The following positions are still vacant: Youth Director, Children's Director and VBS Director. See attachment.

Rev. Richard Smith made a motion that we change the dates of the annual session to make it easier for the church work to be turned into the associational office on time. He also requested that the Moderator and his staff get together to decide which dates would be better. He suggested that they look at November or sometime in January.

Rev. Richard Smith made a motion at 8:30 that the meeting be adjourned. Rev. Dewey Jackson led in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Rev. Dewey Jackson, Moderator
Mrs. Virginia W. Gause, Clerk

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT
2005

We should never be content with where we are spiritually. There always needs to be a drive in our hearts to get to know the Lord in a more intimate way and because of that intimacy truly serve Him. The apostle Paul reflected this attitude in Philippians 3:13, 14: *Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.* Just as we should never be content with where we are spiritually, neither should we be content with what we have done for the Lord. How can you repay a love like that, who loved us so much that He would give His very Son to die that we might be able to experience forgiveness?

There seems to be an increasing hunger in the hearts of Bladen Baptists for missions. For that I am very grateful. Many of our churches are getting on board with the idea that missions are an excellent way to show the Lord how much we love Him and show the world how much we love them and our Lord.

During 2004 Bladen Baptists journeyed to many places in the United States and even into another country to do missions. Shoeboxes were given, since our last Annual Meetings, to children who had almost no material possessions. Medical missionaries, our own Bladen County people, because of their love for the Lord went to an area where people could die from malnourishment, parasites and many other problems. Over 800 patients were treated with around 70 coming to know Christ as personal Savior.

Wheelchair ramps were built, homes were repaired, goods were collected for hurricane victims, volunteers went to Mississippi to help those devasted by Hurricane Katrina recover. All of these and many more missions projects were accomplished over the last twelve months through our association. I am very proud of all of these efforts. In addition to going and giving goods, our churches also responded in a big way giving around $100,000.00 to the North Carolina Baptist Men and North American Missions Board to help purchase food for feeding units which fed those left homeless by the hurricanes.

Work is being done locally also to minister to people. This year's *See You At The Pole* was the biggest ever with around 3,500 participating. The pre-pole Rally was attended by around 400 and several came to know the Lord during that meeting.

As I sit to write this report I have just returned from a two-day Deacon Conference held at the Sandy Grove Baptist Church. There we heard some very alarming, threatening statistics that are true all over the United States and could also be true here. Every six months an estimated four thousand churches in the United States close their doors. In twenty years it is believed the average church in America will lose sixty percent (60%) of its members through death and dropout. I pray that doesn't happen here and I pray even harder that we will begin to focus outward to reach the lost even if it means allowing our needs personally to go unmet. Sad to say only 2.5 to 5% of modern day believers share their faith. Ninety-five percent of the activities and expenditures of the Church are directed toward those who are already in the Church with only five percent, on the average, being spent to reach the lost. Some of our Baptist Convention leaders have stated, "you can see a congregation's passion for the lost through how much they give to reach the lost." That is true.

Thank you for giving to the work of the ministry. The Bladen Baptist Association is absolutely dependent on your prayer, involvement and gifts to continue the work we believe the Lord has laid out for us. Without you it literally could not get done. Please pray that the Lord will open even more doors for us to step through and that there will be many, many willing hearts to go.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce E. Cannon, Director of Missions

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING ANNUAL REPORT 2005

M-Night was held at Hickory Grove Baptist Church on November 22, 2004 with 116 in attendance, representing 9 churches. The banners were both presented to Hickory Grove Church with 42 in attendance and 45.16%.

Music was provided by Hickory Grove Choir and Dublin First Baptist Choir. They did a fantastic job after which Rev. Jason Atkinson thrilled us all with a piano solo. Phyllis Elvington of Green Sea, South Carolina was our speaker for the evening. She inspired us to learn our Bibles by having us list the Ten Commandments in order from memory. That was a real challenge. She also encouraged us in Bible Drill Work.

We had two youth participating in Bible Drill on the State Level on April 29th and three children on April 30th with one youth winning on State Level. We are proud of every one who participated in the Bible Drill and the leaders who worked so tirelessly.

It is time to begin Bible Drill for next year. Please let us know when you are ready so that we can help you. We hope to have a great year in Bible Drill in 2006.

Respectfully Submitted,
Etta Smith
Discipleship Supporter

ORDINATION COUNCIL REPORT 2005

The Ordination Council of the Bladen Baptist Association stands ready to assist churches in questioning and recommending any member of the local congregation for ordination who has given evidence of being called of God to the Gospel Ministry, has been licensed by their church and called to a pastoral position.

Members of the committee during the year of 2004 include: Rev. Vernon Britt, Rev. Boyd Britt, Rev. Cameron McGill, Rev. Chad Ivester, Mr. Lynn Johnson, the Moderator and Director of Missions.

The Council was asked by First Baptist Church of Dublin during the present year to question Mr. Jason Atkinson and make recommendation back to them. Members of the committee present questioned Brother Jason on a variety of topics including his salvation experience, call to ministry, belief in the traditional doctrines Baptists hold dear and were very satisfied with his answers.

The Ordination Council made recommendation back to First Baptist Church of Dublin to proceed with ordaining Brother Jason into the ministry.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Bruce E. Cannon
on behalf of Ordaining Council

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT 2005

This has been a busy year for everyone. A new WMU group was started at New Beginnings. Several churches are now having co-ed groups to cut cost of materials. New Bible study groups have been formed.

Bladen County took part in Cross-Walk with WMU helping as a sponsor; Shoeboxes for operation Christmas Child; Honduras and Appalachian Church planning. We prepared gift boxes for the Women's prison (300 deodorant sticks) and 250 were given to Dorethea Dix Hospital. Took part in Disaster Relief Training held at Elizabethtown Baptist Church. Galeed now has a WMU Center showing with large map where missionary work is going on and other updates for its members. Galeed hosted this year's Baptist Men and WMU Leadership Training with around 100 in attendance. Bladenboro Baptist hosted Women's Day of Prayer in November. Zion Hill had a Spanish meal with special speakers, Bob and Betty Jo Hensley. Rev. & Mrs. Hensley were our speakers for the WMU Annual Meeting. We also gave supplies to our local schools; food for the Bladen Crisis Center and helped with the WMU thrift store in Bladenboro.

We are thankful to have a part in God's plan.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Elkins
Associational WMU Director

BROTHERHOOD REPORT 2005

The Bladen Baptist Association Baptist Men have been busy with handyman ministries and disaster recovery work this year.

The Handyman Ministries have built 10 handicap ramps and relocated three.

January 15th a Volunteer Missions Banquet was held at Center Roads Baptists Church and was a great success.

April 1st and 2nd Elizabethtown Baptist Church hosted the Region Three Disaster Relief Training. This was a great success. There were 454 people registered and certified during this training session.

World Changers were here June 11-18, and completed a total of 7 jobs: 3 ramps, 2 roofs and 2 general repair and paint jobs. They will return July 22, 2006. We need churches to sponsor some 20 teams as they work throughout the county.

Fifty-three youth and leaders went to Duluth, Georgia in July for a two week mission trip.

Rev. Darryl Covington and family went to China in July for a two week mission trip.

In September, 28 people from the Association went to the Gulf Coast area of Mississippi for hurricane relief recovery work. At this time four churches are planning mission trips to that area.

September 22nd, Galeed Baptist Church hosted the annual leadership training event for the Bladen Baptist Men and WMU. There were around 100 in attendance.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Baptist Men's Director. If I may help you regarding missions in any way please feel free to call on me.

Respectfully submitted,
Thurman W. Bass
Associational Baptist Men's Director

EVANGELISM REPORT 2005

The 2004-2005 Association year has seen much activity in the way of Evangelism for the Bladen Baptist Association.

A high school chaplaincy program has been started for both East and West Bladen High Schools. Under the direction of Rev. Walter Hayes at East Bladen, a weekly Bible study was started in conjunction with the FCA during break time. At West Bladen, under the direction of Dr. Daryl Covington, a weekly Bible study was started at 7:30 on Wednesday mornings, using the area pastors as speakers. Both have been well received by the students and faculty, and well attended. Lives have been saved as a direct result of this ministry.

Mike Lewis, the head of Presidential Security Team for both George Bush Sr. and Bill Clinton, was brought in to speak to the High Schools. He spoke at West Bladen on a Wednesday morning, and East Bladen during the Baccalaureate Service. Bro. Bruce Cannon spoke at the corresponding service at West Bladen. The gospel went out yet again. In addition to Mike Lewis, West Bladen was privileged to have Rev. Steve Hales from FBC Woodstock, GA. speak to the student body. The students were invited to attend a local church that evening for free pizza. Many came, and many were saved.

Personal Evangelism Training was offered on August 15th and 16th at the White Oak Baptist Church. Personal witnessing from the Bible, tract ministry, and door to door visitation were the topics covered, with an emphasis on the fact we are ALL called to GO!

This year also witnesses the resurgence of old time evangelism in Bladen County. A street ministry was started, with bi-monthly street preaching and tract distribution meetings. People from as far as Ohio have been saved as a result of this ministry. It is open to the association to participate, and we are in prayer that more churches will become involved in this ministry in the up and coming year. An association wide street ministry session was lead by Dr. Mark Lawless on October 9th, at 2:00 pm on the courthouse lawn in Elizabethtown. Dr. Lawless is the co-author of *"About My Father's Business": A Christian Handbook on Reaching a Perishing World with an Imperishable Gospel.*

Respectfully Submitted,
Dr. Daryl R. Covington
Evangelism Director

ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC REPORT 2005

I hope that each of you has had a great year! As we embark on a new church year, let me encourage each of you to support the music ministry at your church. Music is a vital part of worship. Each Sunday music prepares the heart of every person to receive God's message. Let me encourage you to support everyone who is involved in your music ministry. Pray for them, encourage them, and support them. Remember that God should receive all of the praise and glory for everything that He accomplishes through us. Throughout this past year, choirs have prepared cantatas and anthems, and soloists have prepared songs. From my observation I have noticed that several church music programs are continuing to grow. What a blessing to see God's people enjoying serving God! I want to encourage you to take advantage of the resources that we have. We have been compiling a music library at the Association Office where churches may place cantatas, anthems and other music into a church loan system where it can be shared throughout the Association. We had tentatively planned a choir clinic earlier, but due to unforeseen circumstances, this had to be cancelled. I would like to continue work on planning a choir clinic where we can all join together and share God's message through song and message. I was honored to be able to serve the Bladen Baptist Association as the Associational Music Director in 2004-2005 and I'm looking forward to what this year has in store. May God bless each of you! *It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High! Psalm 92:1*

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Jason Atkinson
Associational Music Director

MISSIONS DEVELOPMENT/LEISURE MINISTRY REPORT 2005

How many lost souls have been touched by what was done at White Lake? And across Bladen County this year? I don't know, but that is the reason we do what we do. Many people are touched by a song, a sermon, a word of hope or the fact that someone cares enough to go and do.

I do know one thing, God has given Bladen County Churches the greatest mission field in the world. My prayer is that you and your church will reach out in 2006 and be a part of those who care about where others spend eternity.

The mission field truly is white and we do need many to help bring in the harvest. Let know if you or your church can help. To all those who helped this past year let me say, just for a start, "thank you for all you do". May God richly bless you for your work, your prayers, your gifts and your time. Thank you again.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Walter Hayes

WHITE LAKE LEISURE MINISTRY - SUMMER 2005

Campsites	Number Of Services	Attendance	Average Attendance	Offerings
Harolds	12	135	11	$ 133.48
Langston	16	406	25	$ 775.86
Marshburn	11	86	8	$ 223.00
Tar Heel	12	187	16	$ 334.00
TOTALS	**51**	**814**	**16**	**$1,466.34**

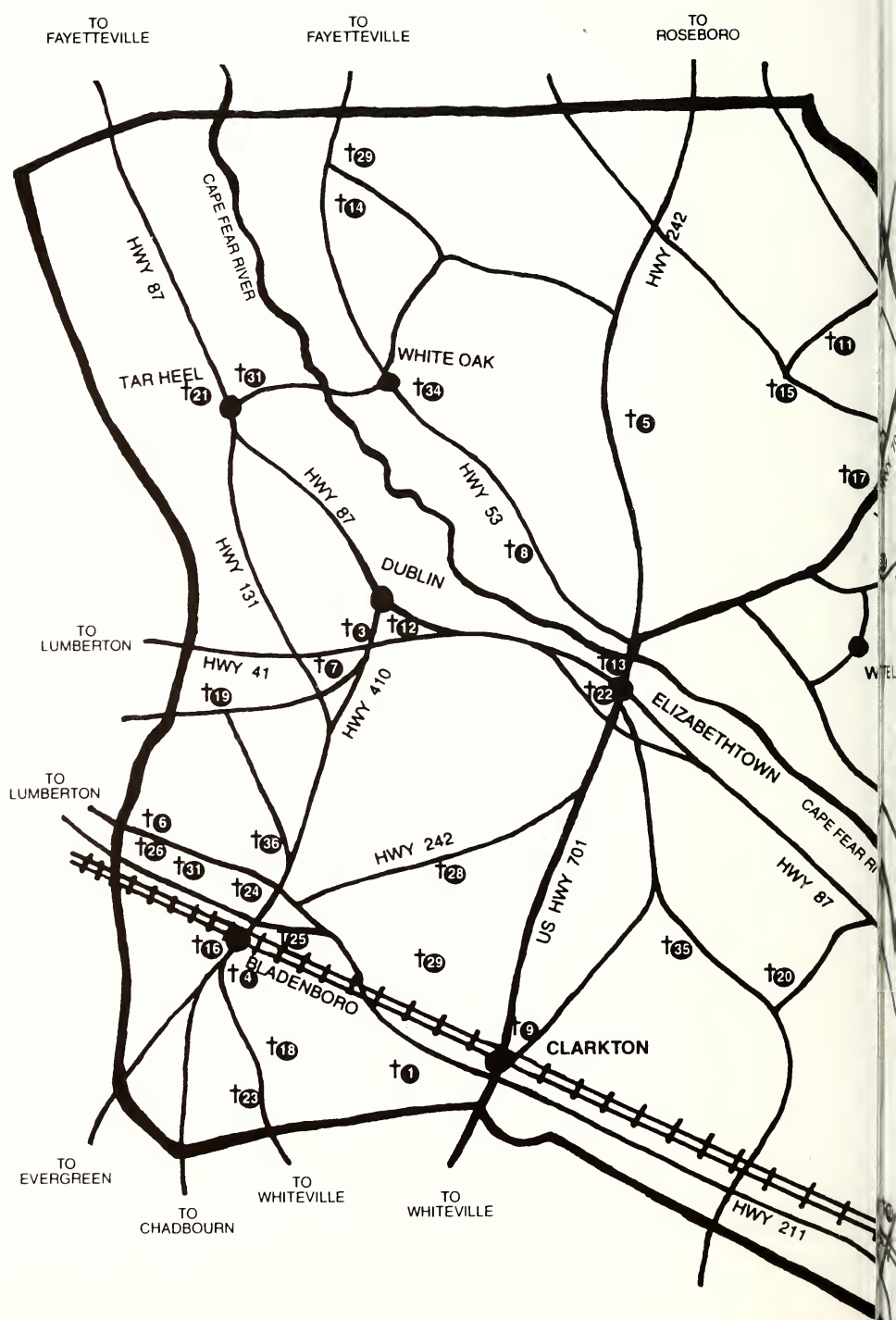
A Special Thank You to all the workers this Summer.
Keith Dowd and Ray Bledsole donated their time and mileage to the ministry.

EXPENDITURES:

Hospice Tournament	30.90
The Front Porch	123.97
Candy for Parade	25.00
Equipment	757.47
Bradley Butler	400.00
Tom Leonard	200.00
Walter Hayes	458.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$ 1,995.34**

October 1, 2004 Balance	$ 4,678.05
Offerings	1,466.34
Baptist State Convention	800.00
Donation	320.00
Total Cash to Date	7,264.39
Listed Expenditures	1,995.34
Balance September 30, 2005	$ 5,269.05
BALANCE ON CD	$ 4,637.50

Respectfully Submitted By
Joyce H. Thomas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Churches of
The Bladen Baptist Associaton

1. ABBOTTSBURG
2. BEARDS CHAPEL
3. BETHEL
4. BLADENBORO, FIRST
5. BRIAR BRANCH
6. BUTTERS
7. CENTER ROAD
8. CHRIST COMMUNITY
9. CLARKTON, FIRST
10. COUNCIL
11. CYPRESS CREEK
12. DUBLIN, FIRST
13. ELIZABETHTOWN
14. FAITH
15. FRIENDSHIP
16. GALEED
17. GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION
18. GRACE
19. HICKORY GROVE
20. LISBON
21. LOVE GROVE
22. NEW BEGINNINGS
23. NEW CENTER
24. NORTHSIDE
25. PEACE
26. RICHARDSON
27. RIVERSIDE
28. SANDY GROVE
29. SHADY GROVE
30. SUGGS GROVE
31. TAR HEEL
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33. WHITE LAKE
34. WHITE OAK
35. WHITES CREEK
36. ZION HILL

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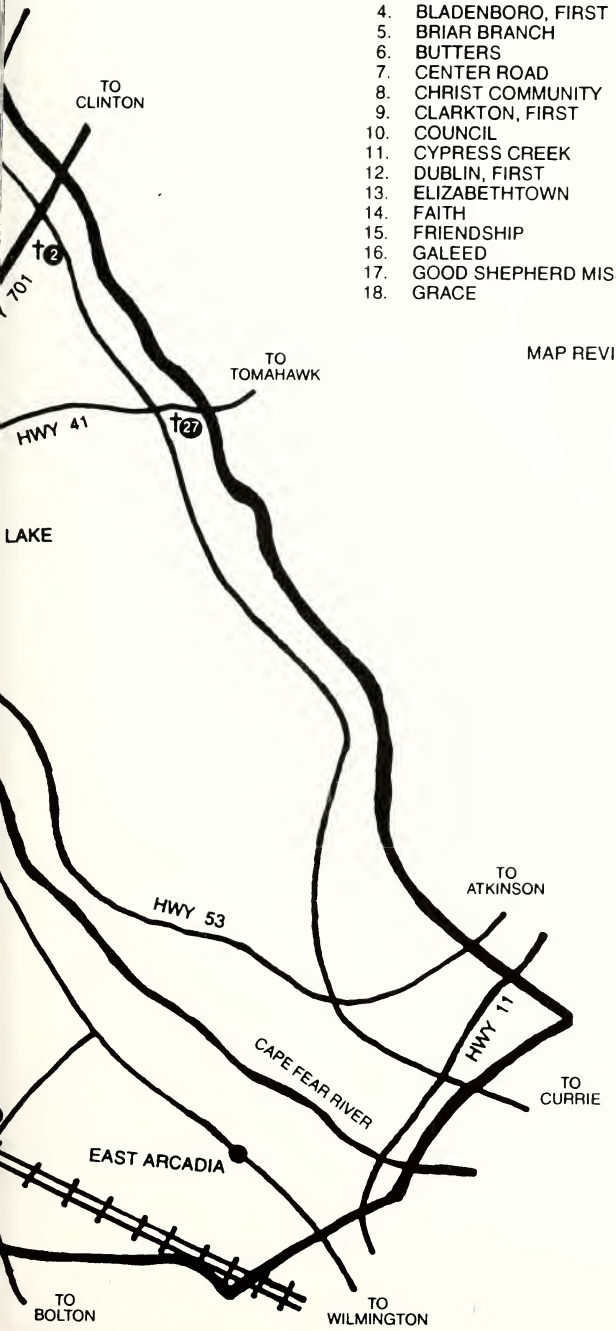


"HISTORICAL EVENTS" 2005

Beards Chapel: Gene Smith was licensed to preach.

Bethel: "Old Timer's Day" celebrated in November, 2004 "Youth Bible Retreat" at the Beach, Panama, Florida, (August, 2005). Deacon Ordination service for Ben Brisson. Added property for parking lot adjoining church.

Center Road: Church Incorporated

Clarkton, First: Dr. Michael Thompson resigned as Pastor, October 2004. Dr. Larry Pittman accepted call as pastor, August, 2005.

Christ Community: Participated in the Shoe Box Ministry; Gideon Service; Campus Ministries; visited Missionaries; sent relief workers to the Gulf Coast.

Council: Participated in the Shoe Box Christmas Child. Sent monthly donation to Bladen Pregnancy Support Service. Gave to "Relay for Life". Gave to N.C. Baptist Men for the "Disaster Relief Fund."

Love Grove: Replaced tile in Fellowship Hall. Remodeled kitchen in Fellowship Hall. Added porch to new Multi-Purpose Building.

New Beginnings: Observed 1st Annual Homecoming. Observed 1st Pastor Appreciation Day. 2nd Annual Woman's Day. Support Bladen Pregnancy Support Service. Started feeding the poor and needy every Friday night.

Northside: Northside Baptist Men had a very good year. Attendance at our monthly meetings has grown from 8-10 to 15-22 adults plus some youth. Mission work has included building 10 handicap ramps, relocating three ramps, painting shutters and repairing storm windows. October 1, 2004, RA and Challenger Programs were started. At the present time we have 15 active members. The boys worked to re-straw and landscape around the church. Our men are supporting a home bound ministry at the Meadows Nursing Home in Bladenboro every Wednesday Night. Bus ministry has grown this past year. Lives have been touched and souls saved.

Richardson: New Fellowship Hall added to church

Shady Grove: New Fellowship Hall with additional classrooms for youth, young adults and older adults.

Suggs Grove: Began Faith and Outreach Programs.

Zion Hill: Purchased Church Bus.

"HISTORIAN REPORT"

The historical events listed are taken from the "Congregation Profiles".

As in the years since our Centennial celebration in 1992, when a brief history of all the churches in the Association were compiled into a book entitle "**A Pictorial Directory of the Churches of the Bladen Baptist Association**," we have been profiling two churches taken from this book each year. This year in the "Book of Reports" Faith Baptist Church is profiled on the inside front cover and Northside Baptist Church on the back cover.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ethelene Barnes, Historian

REPORT FOR 2005 BOOK OF REPORTS
Office of GuideStone Financial Resources for the Baptist State Convention of NC

The name change from Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention to GuideStone Financial Resources, SBC, became official with action at the annual convention in Nashville, TN, in June of this year. With the name change comes a renewed effort from the national agency and the individual state conventions to service more effectively the needs of church employees relating to retirement, insurance, planning financial support, church and clergy tax issues, etc.

In an ongoing effort to provide a variety of insurance products priced competitively to meet the diverse needs of our constituency GuideStone continues to negotiate with insurance providers for the best price. Moving to Blue Cross/Blue Shield Highmark as the primary provider and to the Blue Cross/Blue Shield national network has saved millions of dollars this year for our churches and church employees. Unfortunately, pastors and employees of our smaller churches (less than 10 employees) are at the greatest disadvantage because of the requirement to prove evidence of good health in order to qualify for coverage. We continue to encourage new students in our divinity schools, Bible institute, and seminary to take advantage of the 31 day open enrollment period commiserate with their first time enrollment in one of these schools.

The need for retirement planning among our church employees continues to be a challenge which must be met through meaningful educational experiences. The most difficult task is getting the appropriate information to key decision makers in our churches—church treasurers, budget/finance committee members, personnel committees, deacon chairs, etc., who determine what retirement benefits, if any, the church will provide for their pastors and other church employees. Many of these key leaders are unaware of the protection benefits—disability and survivor—in the Church Annuity Plan which are **provided at no cost** to North Carolina retirement participants who meet the eligibility requirements. During calendar year 2004, 964 disability checks totaling $459,166.09 and 15 survivor checks totaling $328,655.38 were sent to North Carolina church employees and their families.

Without question the most disturbing part of my work is the large numbers of pastors who come to retirement with social security as their only source of income. This is especially sad for those who have served our churches for many years and have little of **NO** retirement monies to rely on in their latter years. Presently, GuideStone is providing financial assistance on a monthly basis to 244 retired pastors and church employees here in North Carolina through the Adopt An Annuitant and Relief Ministries.

Finally, it is our desire to increase the level of retirement participation from 5,165 participants in 2,354 churches, which represents 61% of our NC churches as of June 30, 2005, and to serve all of our churches and their employees with the appropriate products to meet their needs. For more information call the Baptist State Convention of NC at 1.800.395.5102 extensions 320 or 321, visit our Web site at www.northcarolinabaptists.org, call GuideStone at 1.800.262.0511, or visit the GuideStone Web site at www.GuideStone.org.

Johnny E.Ross,
GuideStone State Representative

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA

(July 2004 - July 2005)

Celebrating our past...charting our future!... Baptist Children's Homes has set its sights courageously toward the future as it observes 120-historic-years of service. Since 1885 when 9-year-old Mary Presson was admitted as a child in care, Baptist Children's Homes has been a beacon and a haven to children. Baptist Children's Home has touched thousands upon thousands of lives throughout three centuries, never afraid to meet the ever-changing needs of children and families, yet never wavering from its fundamental mission.

In the dawn of a new millennium, Baptist Children's Homes stands poised. BCH proudly charts an exciting pathway to the future through its new strategic plan: *GuidingStar . . . Illuminating the Lives of Children and Families.*

Lives are miraculously changed. Tears of boys and girls evaporate and hopeful smiles bloom. Through the remarkable efforts of North Carolina Baptists and the love and leadership of God, Baptist Children's Homes continues its mission of *helping hurting children...healing broken families* – offering the promise of a better tomorrow to those we serve now and in the years to come.

GuidingStar Defines Bold Path... After a year -long effort led by BCH President Michael C. Blackwell, Baptist Children's Home launched *GuidingStar...Illuminating the Lives of Children and Families.* The new strategic plan was approved by the Trustees in their September 2004 meeting and was officially introduced in February of this year. Comprised of defined core values and determined focus, *GuidingStar* was created with essential input from all BCH staff. Blackwell's vision was to create a strategy that could be utilized for years to come.

Family Gathering II Celebrates 120 Years... "Family Gathering II" brought together all staff members and children from Baptist Children's Home facilities statewide to celebrate the agency's 120th anniversary. The historic day was held on June 14, 2005, at Mills Home in Thomasville and was only the second time the entire "BCH family" has gathered at the same time and place. Everyone participated in a day of games, singing and a worship program in the campus church.

North Carolina Baptists "Roundup" Food For BCH... The "Food Roundup" was held in April 2005 for the second time in three years. North Carolina Baptists poured out their support by collecting, sorting and delivering essential food and supplies for all BCH's geographic areas. Associations reported church participation was high as Directors of Missions allowed their offices to become key collection points for donations. Volunteers donated their time to help sort and count the food.

Many Voices, One Story... This year's Thanksgiving Offering theme, "There For Me" represents the pivotal role individuals plays in the lives of hurting children. Baptist Children's Homes represents the outstretched hands of God, supported by North Carolina Baptists through their prayer and financial support. BCH staff lends their lives and their hearts daily to care for the physical, spiritual and emotional needs of boys and girls. Just as Jesus proclaims in the scriptures, "I will never leave you nor forsake you," dedicated friends have made the same promise to the children who walk through BCH's doors. It is only through North Carolina Baptists' support and commitment that BCH can continue to make a difference. This year's statewide Thanksgiving Offering goal is $1,350,000. This represents a $50,000 increase from last year. Challenge your church to participate in the 2005 Thanksgiving Offering.

Breaking New Ground... Baptist Children's Homes continues to make a difference around the state. On September 26, 2004, BCH broke ground for two new Developmental Disabilities Ministry group homes in Zionville. "Joy Cove Ministries," the homes for adults with developmental disabilities, are currently under construction on the original Camp Joy property near Boone...Three BCH direct care staff became the first child care workers in the state to be professionally certified through the Children and Family Services Association - North Carolina. Two other staff members received certification to train additional child care workers for professional certification...Groundbreaking for the Alverta Bolick DDM group home in Asheville took place on November 30, 2004. The home is under construction...A "Laying the Foundation" ceremony on February 9, 2005 celebrated the building of the Harmony Home DDM residence in Dunn. The home was built in cooperation with Housing and Urban Development and Harnett County's Association for Retarded Citizens...The building of Kennedy Home's new education center was commemorated with a groundbreaking ceremony on July 3, 2005. In partnership with Lenoir County Schools, the facility will house the specialized education program serving Kennedy Home residents and other students from the community.

THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION, INC. 2004 ANNUAL REPORT

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in increasing an awareness among North Carolina Baptists of Christian estate stewardship principles as a means of financially undergirding churches, institutions and mission endeavors on a permanent basis. The uniqueness of the ministries and serivces provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased financial support. The Foundation accomplishes these objectives by offering assistance in estate planning counsel, Will preparation, planned giving, charitable remainder trusts, endowment funds and church fund management.

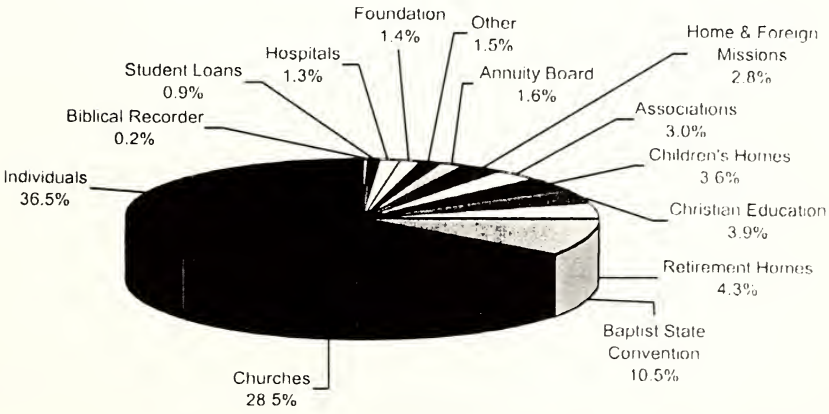
During 2004, the Foundation assisted individuals in establishing 42 endowment funds and 17 charitable remainder trusts totaling $2.9 million and received $4.9 million in contributions to existing endowments all of which will ultimately benefit countless Baptist causes on a permanent basis. Programs were provided for churches and associations during the year to promote Make Your Will Month, Christian estate stewardship, and church fund management. Over $1.3 million from churches and institutions came under management to enhance numerous ministries including scholarships, building funds, cemetery funds, benevolence funds, general operating funds and other various mission causes. Overall, the Foundation received $9.1 million in contributions during 2004 for Christian causes.

The Foundation employs professional money managers to invest these funds according to an investment policy adopted by its Board. Four investment pools are offered: a growth fund, a balanced fund, an income fund and a fixed income fund. The Foundation uses the services of Salomon Smith Barney to help select top money managers and evaluate performance. As of December 31, 2004, the Foundation held $125.8 million under management.

During 2004, our distributions totaled $5.5 million, with charity receiving $3.5 million and individuals, through trusts, receiving $2 million. During the 83-year history of The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc., $27 million has been distributed to individuals and $47.6 million to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $74.6 million.

Harold G. Koger, Chair, Board of Directors
M. Clay Warf, Executive Director

2004 Distributions



2005 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
North Carolina Baptist Hospital

"Touching Lives With Hope"

FOUNDED TO SERVE

In 1921, North Carolina Baptists were led by God to establish Baptist Hospital. The founding commission wrote, "We desire to build a hospital to bring the healing art more definitely under the dominion of the Great Healer." In 2005, NCBH President Len Preslar affirms, "We were founded to serve and to provide care for people in times of great need. Our mission, **'to provide and advance excellent healthcare, embracing the healing presence of God,'** reflects our Christian heritage and sincere commitment to each person we are privileged to serve."

N.C. BAPTIST AND THE SCHOOL OF PASTORAL CARE: PARTNERS IN MISSIONS

By their prayers and Cooperative Program Missions Giving, N.C. Baptists are vital partners in our ministries at the School of Pastoral Care. Together we are serving thousands of hurting people and fulfilling our mission - **"to provide ministries of growth, hope, and healing in the Spirit of Christ."**

Baptist Hospital's CareNet Counseling Centers

- An extension of local church ministry through a statewide network of 22 Faith-based counseling centers.
- 24,500 hours per year of skillful and compassionate counseling that leads to emotional healing and spiritual growth.
- Nearly 50% of those served are N.C. Baptists, with pastors being a major referral resource.

Center for Congregational Health

- Professional consultation for nearly 25 churches per month to energize congregations and meet the challenges of the 21st century.
- Expert leadership development for over 400 ministers and church leaders per year.
- Training provided to over 1,700 clergy to guide churches in the interim period and effectively prepare for their future.

Testimonies of Our Mission Partnership

"We've seen marriages restored and life hurts healed through CareNet." –N.C. Baptist pastor

"The Center for Congregational Health helped our church regain God's vision for our future." –N.C. Baptist pastor

"CPE at Baptist Hospital was the best training I have ever had in my life." –N.C. Baptist pastor

"I could never say thank you enough to God and those who helped me through the Mother's Day Offering. God knew I needed help, and He lifted the burden through N.C. Baptists." –Recent recipient

Chaplaincy and Pastoral Education (CPE)

- Compassionate spirtual care for patients and families through 50,000 annual ministry contacts.
- Life-changing education for 55 clergy per year, enhancing their gifts for ministry and care for their churches.
- Specialized educational programs for pastors and church leaders (hospital visitation skills, crisis ministry, loss and grief).

Church and Community Relations

- The Mother's Day Offering received $617,341 in 2004, thanks to the generous love of N.C. Baptists!
- Every dollar of every gift lifts the burden of Hospital bills for patients in financial need.
- Patients are drawn closer to Christ in gratitude for the compassion of N.C. Baptists.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS AT NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

"The Minister's Subsidy saved our financial lives." N.C. Baptist pastor

N.C. Baptist ministers and their families receive a subsidy of up to 25% on their hospital bills for care at Baptist Hospital. This is made possible by the Hospital's W.K. McGee Patient Service Fund, with support from the Mother's Day Offering as needed. Nearly $80,000 was provided to ministers in FY 2005.

We are very thankful for the support of North Carolina Baptists in fulfilling our mission. The minister's subsidy is one way, among many, that we are able to give back.

National Rankings Reflect Commitment to Excellence

- We continue to be **ranked among America's top 50 hospitals** by *U.S. News and World Report.*
- We are ***one of America's top 15 major teaching hospitals***, according to the Solucient Top 100 Hospitals, one of the nation's most comprehensive ratings of hospitals.
- We have the **highest level of accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations (JACHO).**
- Our **patient satisfaction scores are among the nation's highest** – in the top 1% compared to our peers.
- We are one of **nation's leading Heart Centers**, and recognized as one of the **"Top 44 Cardiac Hospitals for Women"** by *Good Housekeeping.*
- We are ranked as one of the **top 40 Children's Hospitals** in the nation by *Child Magazine.*

Information and Appointments

To make an appointment for yourself or a family member with a physician, or to receive information on health related issues, please contact HEALTH-ON-CALL at 800-446-2255 or 336-716-2255.

CLOSING WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

The crosses adorning the exterior of Baptist Hospital reflect our heritage and hope, our tradition and vision. Our commitment is to serve each patient with the best medicine and technology can offer, wrapped in human kindness and spiritual care. Our core values guide the way—excellence, compassion innovation, integrity, and collegiality. We are grateful to be partners with North Carolina Baptists in this mission that God has entrusted to us.

Respectfully submitted,
Len B. Preslar, Jr., President
North Carolina Baptist Hospital

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES
OF NORTH CAROLINA, INCORPORATED
PROUDLY SERVING OLDER ADULTS SINCE 1951

"...as the Lord assigned to each his task...we are laborers together with God."
(I Corinthians 3:5 & 9)

Your partnership with Baptist Retirement Homes is making possible the care of over 700 Older Adults in five locations across North Carolina.

"We are Laborers . . ."

The challenges related to Older Adults are tremendous — mushrooming numbers and mushrooming needs. In response, Baptist Retirement Homes continues to stay on the cutting edge in providing a full range of services: Independent Living in Winston-Salem and Concord; Nursing Care in Asheville, Winston-Salem and Concord; Assisted Living at all locations.

". . .together . . ."

It is your prayers and your financial support that undergirds the high quality of Christian care provided by Baptist Retirement Homes. Because you join "together" with us, this year more than $2 million will be shared in caring for Aging Saints who are unable to pay the full cost of the care they both need and deserve.

". . .with God . . ."

The great good news is not only that are we ministering together in the name of our Lord but also that we minister in His strength. While the challenges are great, His "grace is sufficient."

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Winston-Salem, NC 27106
(336) 759-1044

The Gardens of Taylor Glen Retirement Community
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Concord, NC 28027
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Hamilton Baptist Home
301 Railroad Street
Hamilton, NC 27840
(252) 798-5901

The Taylor House
319 Palmer Street
Albemarle, NC 28001
(704) 982-4421

Western North Carolina Baptist Home
213 Richmond Hill Drive
Asheville, NC 28806
(828) 254-9675

The Baptist Elder Care Network • Simple Questions-Simple Answers
1-800-887-7410

A statewide system of resource counselors answering questions related to the needs of aging persons.
A free service provided by Baptist Retirement Homes. www.brh.org

BIBLICAL RECORDER
2005 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION

The *Biblical Recorder* exists to serve Baptists in North Carolina and beyond by providing regular, dependable and balanced news coverage of the most significant matters relating to Baptist life. In addition, the *Biblical Recorder* includes a variety of opinion pieces, supportive resources and feature articles designed to encourage and inspire as well as to inform.

The *Recorder* was founded in 1833. It was privately owned and operated for most of its history, though it enjoyed a close relationship with the Baptist State Convention. In 1939, it became a convention agency. As it has from its founding, the *Recorder* serves as the official news publication of the BSC, and seeks to serve the full spectrum of its churches.

The *Biblical Recorder* is widely acknowledged to be in the top echelon of state Baptist papers, winning national honors from the Baptist Communicator's Association every year since 2000, including the prestigious Burkhalter Award for news writing in 2001 and numerous first place awards for news and editorial writing, including two in both 2003 and 2004.

As many readers now prefer electronic media to traditional print formats, the *Biblical Recorder* has developed and maintains a popular and rapidly growing presence on the World Wide Web. Our Website, at www.biblicalrecorder.org, provides much of each paper's content online, as well as access to classified ads, online Bible study resources, and a portal to other news services. The site is updated frequently with breaking news items and other articles of interest.

The addition of a new "blog" or "weblog" by the editor at http://journal.biblicalrecorder.org provides an additional source of news and opinion, updated almost daily, that also provides an online community for dialogue and an opportunity for readers to post their own blogs or comments.

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CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE
of North Carolina, Inc.
2005 ANNUAL REPORT

The Christian Action League of North Carolina is a Christian public policy organization that addresses public policy and legislative issues from a Christian worldview. The Christian Action League has a fulltime presence in the General Assembly of North Carolina and has garnered considerable respect from both the Republican and Democratic parties. The League's purpose is to assist the church in fulfilling Christ's command to be the "salt" and the "light" of the earth. The following report contains highlights from this year's ministry.

Advancing Kingdom Principles

- In 2004, the North Carolina General Assembly passed legislation for a specialty license plate with the Nation's motto, "In God We Trust" and a yellow ribbon with the phrase, "Support Our Troops" on it
- CAL provides critical information regarding social and moral issues via it's interactive website www.christianactionleague.net. The website seeks to keep the church abreast of the latest developments in the culture war – both from a national and statewide perspective.
- Each week CAL publishes a "Weekly Email Issues Alert." This alert is essentially an Email Magazine, which is quite comprehensive in covering issues of moral import in the State legislature, politics, and other concerns. Those interested in receiving the "Weekly Email Issues Alert" should go to CAL's website at www.christianactionleague.net and click on "Sign Up To Be A Beacon of Light."
- To promote Christian values in the home, church and the work place, CAL offers two beautiful prints of the Ten Commandments and God's Covenant with America. For a small donation, these prints can either be secured separately or together, simply as a print or framed.
- Rev. Mark Creech, Executive Director of CAL, has advanced Christian principles throughout North Carolina and the nation in numerous speaking engagements that included denominational meetings, church worship services, political rallies, revival meetings, legislative chapel services, press conferences, conventions and seminars.

Lobbying Activity

- Whenever an urgent legislative issue arises in the General Assembly of North Carolina, CAL typically responds by sending out an "Urgent Action Alert." These alerts are designed not simply to inform Christians, but to mobilize them at the grassroots level. Their purpose is to get constituents to put pressure on their lawmakers to vote on legislation a certain way.
- This year CAL worked tirelessly to get State legislators to approve legislation for a Constitutional Amendment that would ban same-sex marriage in the Tar Heel State. CAL has also been at the forefront of a push for a Federal Marriage Amendment to the U.S. Constitution by North Carolinians.
- After successfully beating back lottery legislation for 23 years, CAL was unable to stop the passage of a lottery measure that succeeded by one vote in each chamber.
- CAL was successful this year in pushing back legislation that would have allowed pari-mutuel gambling on horse racing at the Carolina Horse Park in Hoke County.
- CAL continues to support legislation that would ban video poker in the State.
- Except for it's efforts to defeat the lottery, no battle was as tough as the one waged this year by CAL to prevent the alcohol content in beer from being raised from 6% to 15
- CAL strongly opposed a measure to amend the alcoholic beverage control election law to allow towns or cities where a railroad passenger terminus exists to be eligible to hold malt beverage elections.

- This year's efforts by CAL to raise taxes on cigarettes were successful.
- CAL was the only faith-organization opposed to legislation calling for a two-year moratorium on executions in North Carolina
- CAL was rather ambivalent regarding legislation introduced by Sen. Julia Boseman (D-New Hanover) that would have banned obscene video games to minors.
- CAL supported legislation that would have directed local boards of education to adopt policies to: (1) require the display of the U.S. and N.C. flags in all public school classrooms; (2) require the daily recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance; (3) provide for age-appropriate instruction on the meaning and historical significance of the U.S. flag and the Pledge of Allegiance and the values they represent, and (4) require instruction on the meaning and historical origins of the N.C. flag, the State motto and other State symbols. **SB 1096 - Flag, Pledge, and Symbols Taught in Schools** passed unanimously in the Senate, but was never considered by the House.
- A bill that would have permitted stem cell research under limited circumstances in North Carolina was heard in the House Health Committee, but was not acted upon. CAL's Executive Director testified against **HB 632 - Stem Cell Research Health and Wellness Act**, saying "Certainly a society's moral compass is largely determined by its respect for the sanctity of human life. Every life is sacred, a precious and inviolable gift from our Creator, beginning at conception. It is one of the most profound signs of depravity in a culture when its government officials and leaders in the medical community sanction the practice of destroying pre-born life for the purpose of scientific experimentation."
- **HB 505 - WCR Study Sunday Hunting**, which CAL opposed this year, would have directed the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Committee to study whether the State should lift its ban on Sunday hunting. The bill passed a House Committee, but lost momentum and stalled in the House. The measure was ultimately included in **HB 1269 -The Studies Act of 2005**, which failed to pass the General Assembly before it adjourned.
- CAL supported **SB 972 - Break Into Place of Worship**, which was enacted by the Legislature this year. The bill creates a new Class G felony for "any person who wrongfully breaks or enters any building that is a place of religious worship with intent to commit any felony or larceny therein." The legislation was in response to a rash of break-ins and robberies in houses of worship across the State.
- One of the members of CAL's own Board of Directors serves in the N.C. House, Rep. Russel Capps (R-Wake).

Local Option Alcohol Referenda

In 2005, CAL assisted one community in their efforts to defeat an ABC, Beer-Wine, and Liquor-By-The-Drink referendum. At the time of this report, three alcohol referendums are pending in White Lake, Archdale, and Asheboro, North Carolina.

For A Better North Carolina,

Reverend Mark H. Creech,
Executive Director

Reverend Coy Privette,
President

COUNCIL ON CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION
Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
Report to Association
2005

LINKING TOGETHER TO IMPACT THE WORLD

Like all institutions of higher learning, your Baptist colleges and universities - Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill and Wingate provide education for their students. But what makes our Baptist colleges and universities unique is their mission.

Education with a mission is training and developing knowledge, skill, mind and character with a special purpose. This special purpose is to encourage and enable students to use expanded knowledge, enhanced skills, improved minds and enriched character to impact the world for good in keeping with their faith commitment to God through Jesus Christ.

Thanks to your support for Christian Higher Education the Baptist State Convention provided financial aid to 550 North Carolina Baptist students in the amount of $1,174,922 in 2004. These students received an average of $2,136. From Bladen Association 3 students received scholarship aid. These students came from the following churches: Briar Branch, Tar Heel and White's Creek.

Without your assistance many of these deserving students would not have been able to attend a Baptist college or university. Thank you Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill and Wingate for providing education with a Christian mission. And thank you Baptist churches for supporting North Carolina Baptist students. Together you are impacting the world for good and for God.

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BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA --2005 ANNUAL REPORT--

NC Baptists FaithSoaring During Leadership Transition

Change can drag behind us like an anchor or lift us like a balloon.

Executive Director-Treasurer Jim Royston's move to the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Mooresville in September 2005 will be a change catalyst in the life of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. George Bullard, named acting executive director-treasurer by the Executive Committee in July, assures North Carolina Baptists that "your staff will soar during this interim period, both in current work and plans for the future."

Royston held the office for nearly eight years, and will be recognized for his service during ceremonies at the Baptist State Convention annual meeting Nov. 15.

"We will continue to resource North Carolina Baptist congregations, to plant churches train workers, nurture partnerships and to answer questions," said Bullard, Royston's associate for two years. "I have every confidence in our future, and in our ability to move forward with purpose and direction during the interim."

Peninsula Baptist Church Pastor Robert Jackson will lead a 14-member search committee.

While the change revolving around Convention leadership garnered the most attention in 2005, the deep, steady work of your Baptist State Convention continued to flow.

Operating under the mandate to resource congregations, Convention staff interacted with thousands of people from hundreds of churches and dozens of associational partners. From core efforts to plant churches, partner with state conventions in more unchurched populations, provide Christian education and benevolent care and offer dozens of training opportunities in every area of church ministry, Convention staff also have been creative in nurturing new avenues of ministry.

Thousands of young people every summer are confronted with the choice of life changing commitments in the inspirational setting of camps and conference centers. **The North Carolina Baptist Assembly at Fort Caswell, Caraway Conference Center, Camp Caraway, Mundo Vista and Truett Camp** – each in its unique way – host hundreds of groups who flock to these places to listen, learn, participate and be inspired by program professionals and personalities.

Hollifield Leadership Center and Lake Hickory Learning Communities host some of the best and brightest 21st century Christian ministry thought leaders for a series of learning experiences to build capacity among various learning communities. These communities have formed around the areas of **Christian Leadership Coaching, Sustaining Pastoral Excellence, Spiritual Strategic Journeys, and Congregational Transformation Experiences.**

Because many churches cannot sponsor a new church start by themselves, partnerships are vital for progress. **The Associational Partnerships Team** believes associations have a great opportunity to make significant and positive impact on local Baptist churches today.

Within one hour of blasting an email promotion of Eddie Hammett's new book *Spiritual Leadership in a Secular Age*, nine orders for it were placed through the bookstore on the www.north carolinabaptists.org website.

Finding new ways to communicate effectively with a diverse, geographically distant constituency is a constant challenge for the **Public Relations and Resource Development** group at the Baptist State Convention. From the new website, to lobby furniture in the Convention Staff Building in Cary, to audio and video magazines, media relations and the content of every promotional piece for every seminar and training event by convention staff, public relations tries to communicate a consistent message.

Cooperative Program Missions Giving and the **North Carolina Missions Offering** under gird all mission and ministry activities of Baptist State Convention staff. Mike Creswell, senior consultant for CPMG promotion, has created the 1-3-6 Challenge to North Carolina Baptist churches – challenging them to increase their percentage giving by one percentage point within the next three years.

North Carolina is swelling with people and many new Baptist churches are needed to provide a place where people can discover genuine love and faith. The **Church Planting Team** works with new church planters, trained mentors, sponsoring churches and Baptist Associations to help train church planting pastors and plant new churches where they are needed.

Members of the **Mission Growth Evangelism Team** minister to college students as they begin a new chapter in their life on a college or university campus. The **Church Growth Team** operates approximately 40 different ministries in helping NC Baptist churches reach out to the lost in their communities and in resort areas, including reaching cowboys, motorcycle riders. **Lay Renewal** is seeing renewal as testimonies of lay led events revitalizing churches warm our hearts.

Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute now offers classes in Spanish, and an academic partnership has been established with the college at Southeastern Seminary.

A basic "Prayer, Care & Share" evangelism strategy plan for churches and associations is available via the Evangelism office.

A prayer affinity initiative with Wyoming Baptists provides strategic prayer journeys in Wyoming, prayer walking and traveling across the state.

Too many pastors are retiring with no source of support, often because pastors and church lay leaders are unaware of the protection benefits–disability and survivor–in the **Church Annuity Plan**, which are provided at no cost to North Carolina retirement participants.

Congregational services teams help congregations discover and move into their futures. Only churches that see themselves into a vital, growing, active future will move toward it.

One of the partnership methods is **Christian coaching**. Coaching assumes that a unique "solution seed" lies within every challenge. Coaches are being trained and coaching is coming into its own as a way for trained and caring individuals to come alongside a congregation and its leadership to help them discover and live into their own futures.

Besides growing ministries among military families with a deployed member, in 2005 the Baptist State Convention began a chaplaincy ministry directly related to teams providing disaster relief.

The **Church building consultants** did dozens of on site, personal consultations.

Pursuing Vital Ministry is a congregational journey of discovery that involves the passionate core of your church to develop a future story to which your congregation will live into. Pastors learn to trust, as one did, that "people had keen insight and God was speaking to their hearts about the future story of (our) church. It involved a journey that would help us reach the point of discovering God's vision for the church and help us to live into that journey."

Preschool and Children's Ministry Certification trains workers and staff to meet the challenges of this culture. It also teaches ways to minister to children and families outside the church family, even forging relationships with local schools.

After North Carolina legislators passed a lottery bill in September, **Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs** Director Steve Sumerel says the battle now is to mitigate the social ills that a lottery will bring.

Hurricane Katrina sharply focused one of **North Carolina Baptist Men's** significant areas of work. Diaster relief is just one of 14 ministries of Baptist Men.

Woman's Missionary Union of North Carolina sponsored CrossWalk North Carolina, in which associational groups literally carried a large cross the length of the state, with a grand finale held May 13-15, 2005, at Caswell. Over 7,150 youth in more than 61 associations were involved.

WMU also was at the heart of a national Triad MissionsFEST/FamilyFEST, in July in the Central Triad, Piedmont and Pilot Mountain associations. It was the largest event of its type involving over 700 volunteers from 15 states in missions.

The ministries of Baptist Men and Woman's Missionary Union are funded by gifts to the North Carolina Missions Offering.

North Carolina Baptist social services agencies, the **Children's Homes, Retirement Homes and Hospital** continued their service to "the least of these" who need a caring touch during a moment, or a decade of trauma.

Other teams from **Bible Drill**, to **personal evangelism**, to **multicultural and language ministries**, to **business services and week day education, music and all state youth choir** and **Sunday School** and others also employed active, effective ministries in 2005. These called, trained Christian professionals are your team helping to mobilize Baptists for ministry.

The mission and ministries your Baptist State Convention provides, in partnership with churches, associations and national bodies, are made possible by gifts through **Cooperative Program Missions Giving** and the **North Carolina Missions Offering**. Each association receives 10 percent of NCMO gifts given by churches in that association.

Your Baptist State Convention staff is eager and ready to resource your congregation. Contact them at 800-395-5102 or through the web at www.northcarolinabaptists.org.

You can write to 205 Convention Drive, Cary, NC 27511.

In Memorial

Deceased Listing for Bladen Association

ABBOTTSBURG
Mr. Andrew English
Mr. Harold Hood
Mrs. Sarah Pait
Mrs. Ollie M. Ward

BEARDS CHAPEL
None Reported

BETHEL
Mr. Henry B. Allen
Mr. Charles N. Carroll

BLADENBORO, FIRST
Mrs. Sybil N. Britt
Mr. W. D. Shipman
Mr. Henry White, Jr.

BRIAR BRANCH
None Reported

BUTTERS
Mrs. Lessie W. Bryant
Mrs. Alma Hester

CENTER ROAD
Mr. Grady Dove
Mrs. Mattie Johnson
Mr. Jim Lindsay
Mrs. Faye Pait
Mrs. Iris Roberson

CHRIST COMMUNITY
None Reported

CLARKTON FIRST
Mr. Eugene Davis
Mr. Melton Little
Miss Phyllis McKeithan
Mrs. Mildred Richardson
Mrs. Bessie Rivenbark

COUNCIL
Mr. J. R. Caulk
Mr. Thomas McCulloch
Mrs. Eunice Smith

CYPRESS CREEK MISSIONARY
Ms. Mary Smith

DUBLIN, FIRST
Mr. Norwood Butler
Mrs. Elizabeth (Libby) Garner
Mrs. Annie Louise Grimes
Mrs. LaRue Hayes
Mr. Irvin Hester
Mr. John Paul Hill

ELIZABETHTOWN
Mr. Robert Blackburn
Mrs. Irene G. Brisson
Mrs. Lois Harrelson
Mrs. Rachel Horton
Mr. Fred Priest
Miss Joy Taylor
Mrs. Flora Ward

FAITH
None Reported

FRIENDSHIP
Mrs. Lucy Norris
Mr. Charles Smith
Mrs. Margaret Smith

GALEED
Mr. Earl Burney
Mr. William Butler
Mrs. Annie Ruth Cain
Mr. Larry Strickland

GOOD SHEPHERD
None Reported

GRACE
Mr. Jesse Canupp
Mrs. Dorothy Pittman

HICKORY GROVE
Mr. Luther M. Davis, Sr.
Ms. Nellie Richardson

LISBON
Mrs. Ovaline Cayton
Mrs. Leona Freeman
Mr. Morris Lanier
Mrs. Evelyn Phillips
Mrs. Lillian White

LOVE GROVE
Mr. Ronald Long

NEW BEGINNINGS
None Reported

NEW CENTER
None Reported

NORTHSIDE
Mr. Jerry Carroll
Mr. Vance Hester
Mrs. Myrtle Hooks

PEACE
None Reported

RICHARDSON
Mr. Kenneth Rogers, Deacon
Mr. David Wilkins, Deacon

RIVERSIDE
None Reported

SANDY GROVE
Mr. Rufus Watson

SHADY GROVE
Miss Kelsie Edwards
Mrs. Margaret Evans
Mrs. Georgia Britt Hughes
Mrs. Ola Norris
Mr. Durwood Thompson

SUGGS GROVE
Mr. Ronald Owen, Deacon

TAR HEEL
Mrs. Hazel Bullard
Mrs. Marie Huggins
Mr. Greg Melvin
Mr. Roger Singletary

WEST BLADENBORO
None Reported

WHITE LAKE
None Reported

WHITE OAK
Mr. Thomas Kinlaw
Mr. Lynwood Royal

WHITES CREEK
None Reported

ZION HILL
Mrs. Versie L. Edwards
Mrs. Eula Hilburn

Bladen Baptist Association *Treasurer - David Clark*

GIFTS FOR BUDGET
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 2005

	YEAR-TO-DATE
ABBOTTSBURG	2,600.33
BEARD'S CHAPEL	1,200.00
BETHEL	2,700.00
BLADENBORO, FIRST	9,033.34
BRIAR BRANCH	400.00
BUTTERS	2,400.00
CENTER ROAD	5,019.60
CHRIST COMMUNITY	975.00
CLARKTON, FIRST	4,779.49
COUNCIL	1,200.00
CYPRESS CREEK	1,422.85
DUBLIN, FIRST	9,540.72
ELIZABETHTOWN	7,700.00
FAITH	1,059.00
FRIENDSHIP	2,529.01
GALEED	7,500.00
GOOD SHEPHERD	703.50
GRACE	215.00
HICKORY GROVE	2,900.00
LISBON	1,329.26
LOVE GROVE	1,575.00
NEW BEGINNINGS	0.00
NEW CENTER	1,500.00
NORTHSIDE	2,686.32
PEACE	0.00
RICHARDSON	500.00
RIVERSIDE	2,000.00
SANDY GROVE	3,650.00
SHADY GROVE	4,162.50
SUGGS GROVE	2,400.00
TAR HEEL	8,851.46
WEST BLADENBORO	2,000.00
WHITE LAKE	3,461.95
WHITE OAK	1,800.00
WHITES CREEK	922.16
ZION HILL	3,000.00
TOTAL CHURCH GIFTS	**103,716.49**
WMU THRIFT SHOP	2,500.00
NC BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION	1,035.54
NC SALES TAX REFUND	755.69
SEMINARY EXTENSION	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS	632.49
ANNUALS	0.00
DISASTER RECOVERY	0.00
BASKETBALL LEAGUE	0.00
	108,640.21

BUDGET GIFTS TO DATE	108,640.21
BUDGET NEED TO DATE	102,519.00
AHEAD OF BUDGET GOAL	6,121.21

Bladen Baptist Association *Treasurer - David Clark*

BUDGET SUMMARY FOR YEAR ENDING 2005

BUDGET ITEM	AMOUNT	YR-DATE	ITEM BAL
100 EDUCATIONAL AND PROMOTIONAL MINISTRIES			
101 Sunday School	1,000.00	120.42	879.58
102 Discipleship Trng.	600.00	358.53	241.47
103 Brotherhood	1,000.00	305.53	694.47
104 W.M.U.	1,200.00	1,311.65	-111.65
105 Missions Development	300.00	0.00	300.00
106 Music	300.00	0.00	300.00
107 Evangelism	1,500.00	669.28	830.72
108 Pastoral Care	500.00	497.85	2.15
109 Audio Visual (Media)	400.00	25.00	375.00
110 Associational Admin.	300.00	283.51	16.49
111 Seminary Extension	300.00	0.00	300.00
112 Special Training	350.00	226.60	123.40
113 Local Missions	600.00	593.01	6.99
114 Youth Ministry	800.00	651.93	148.07
115 DisVan.Repairs, Etc.	4,500.00	991.94	3,508.06
200 ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRIES			
201 Postage	1,500.00	1,202.91	297.09
202 Office Supplies	3,000.00	1,973.25	1,026.75
203 Office Equipment & Maint.	1,900.00	1,900.00	0.00
204 Utilities	4,000.00	3,799.24	200.76
205 Building & Grounds	2,000.00	650.35	1,349.65
206 Insurance/Buildings	2,125.00	2,078.00	47.00
207 Books & Literature	300.00	20.00	280.00
208 DOM Ser. Car/Travel	4,000.00	3,613.72	386.28
209 Convention & Assemb.- DOM	500.00	500.00	0.00
210 DOMAnnuity (Retirement)	3,276.00	3,276.00	0.00
211 F.I.C.A. (DOM) Reimb.	5,200.75	5,200.75	0.00
212 F.I.C.A. (Secretary)	1,231.09	1,283.82	-52.73
213 Housing & Util. DOM	12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00
214 Medical Spending DOM	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
215 Annuals / Book Reports	500.00	500.00	0.00
216 DOM-Health/Disability	6,093.16	6,093.16	0.00
300 SALARIES			
301 Director of Missions	21,386.00	21,386.00	0.00
302 Secretary	16,082.00	16,082.00	0.00
303 Clerk	1,075.00	1,075.00	0.00
400 MISCELLANEOUS			
401 Emergency	250.00	250.00	0.00
402 Dom/Sec. Christmas	750.00	750.00	0.00
403 Contingency	200.00	200.00	0.00
TOTALS	**102,519.00**	**91,369.45**	**11,149.55**

YEAR ACCOUNT SUMMARY

ACCOUNT	BALANCE	RECEIPTS	TOTAL CSH	EXPENSES	END BAL
Budget	127,665.43	108,640.21	236,305.64	91,369.45	144,936.19
Contingency Fund	2,005.52	0.00	2,005.52	0.00	2,005.52
Federal Taxes	0.00	528.00	528.00	528.00	0.00
F.I.C.A.	0.00	1,230.24	1,230.24	1,230.24	0.00
State Taxes	0.00	1,032.00	1,032.00	1,032.00	0.00
Annuals 02-03-04-05	1,448.85	1,132.00	2,580.85	1,865.56	715.29
"Jesus" Videos	1,719.40	0.00	1,719.40	0.00	1,719.40
Assoc. Basketball	23.39	8,022.20	8,045.59	7,985.31	60.28
Disaster Rec./Tools	775.75	0.00	775.75	587.90	187.85
Honduras Missions	1,342.12	15,345.00	16,687.12	12,217.84	4,469.28
Handyman Ministries	5,746.54	7,959.26	13,705.80	5,545.10	8,160.70
Hispanic Bible Proj	402.00	0.00	402.00	0.00	402.00
World Changers	1,762.81	5,410.00	7,172.81	3,025.00	4,147.81
Hurricane Katrina	0.00	8,200.29	8,200.29	6,723.72	1,476.57
Leisure Ministry	0.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	0.00
Baptist State - Refund	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Pastor's Fund	0.00	207.63	207.63	38.52	169.11
TOTALS	**142,891.81**	**158,706.83**	**301,598.64**	**133,148.64**	**168,450.00**

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR
YEAR ENDING 2005

CHURCHES	YEAR'S RECEIPTS
ABBOTTSBURG	2,660.33
BEARD'S CHAPEL	1,200.00
BETHEL	2,760.00
BLADENBORO, FIRST	9,033.34
BRIAR BRANCH	400.00
BUTTERS	2,430.00
CENTER ROAD	8,396.89
CHRIST COMMUNITY	975.00
CLARKTON, FIRST	5,719.49
COUNCIL	1,224.00
CYPRESS CREEK	1,422.85
DUBLIN, FIRST	11,700.72
ELIZABETHTOWN	9,762.00
FAITH	1,059.00
FRIENDSHIP	2,529.01
GALEED	9,525.00
GOOD SHEPHERD	2,603.50
GRACE	821.00
HICKORY GROVE	3,340.00
LISBON	1,541.26
LOVE GROVE	1,907.00
NEW BEGINNINGS	0.00
NEW CENTER	1,506.00
NORTHSIDE	2,746.32
PEACE	0.00
RICHARDSON	622.00
RIVERSIDE	2,020.00
SANDY GROVE	3,680.00
SHADY GROVE	4,482.50
SUGGS GROVE	2,698.00
TAR HEEL	9,349.46
WEST BLADENBORO	2,018.00
WHITE LAKE	3,479.95
WHITE OAK	1,808.00
WHITES CREEK	934.16
ZION HILL	3,474.00
TOTAL CHURCH GIFTS	**119,828.78**
WMU THRIFT SHOP	2,500.00
NC BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION	2,035.54
NC SALES TAX REFUND	755.69
SEMINARY EXTENSION	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS	28,804.38
ANNUALS	0.00
DISASTER RECOVERY	0.00
BASKETBALL LEAGUE	1,992.20
TOTAL INCOME	**155,916.59**

BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION BUDGET

		2005 BUDGET	2006 BUDGET
100	**EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES**		
101	Sunday School	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00
102	Discipleship Training	600.00	600.00
103	Brotherhood	1,000.00	1,000.00
104	W.M.U.	1,200.00	1,200.00
105	Missions Development	300.00	300.00
106	Music	300.00	300.00
107	Evangelism	1,500.00	1,500.00
108	Pastoral Care	500.00	500.00
109	Audio Visual (Media)	400.00	400.00
110	Association Administration	300.00	300.00
111	Seminary Extension	300.00	300.00
112	Special Training	350.00	350.00
113	Local Missions	600.00	600.00
114	Youth Ministry	800.00	800.00
115	Disaster Recovery	4,500.00	4,500.00
TOTAL		**$ 13,650.00**	**$ 13,650.00**
200	**ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRIES**		
201	Postage	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,500.00
202	Office Supplies	3,000.00	3,000.00
203	Office Equipment & Maint.	1,900.00	1,900.00
204	Utilities	4,000.00	4,000.00
205	Bldg. & Grounds Maint.	2,000.00	2,000.00
206	Insurance	2,125.00	2,125.00
207	Books & Literature	300.00	300.00
208	Services Ministries, Car, Travel (DOM)	4,000.00	4,000.00
209	Convention & Assemblies (DOM)	500.00	500.00
210	Annuity (Retirement) DOM	3,276.00	3,276.00
211	SS (Reimbursement) DOM	5,200.75	5,200.75
212	Social Security - Secretary	1,231.09	1,268.02
213	Housing & Utilities (DOM)	12,500.00	12,500.00
214	Medical Spend. Fund (DOM)	1,000.00	1,000.00
215	Annuals	500.00	500.00
216	Health & Disability (DOM)	6,093.16	8,661.16
TOTAL		**$ 49,126.00**	**$ 51,730.93**
300	**SALARIES**		
301	Director of Missions	21,386.00	20,436.68
302	Secretary	16,082.00	16,564.46
303	Clerk	1,075.00	1,075.00
TOTAL		**$ 38,543.00**	**$ 38,076.14**
400	**MISCELLANEOUS**		
401	Emergency	$ 250.00	$ 250.00
402	DOM/Sec. Christmas Gift	750.00	750.00
403	Contingency	200.00	200.00
TOTAL		**$ 1,200.00**	**$ 1,200.00**
GRAND TOTAL		**$ 102,519.00**	**$ 104,657.07**

HISTORICAL TABLE-BLADEN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday and Thursday after the second Sunday in October, 1892, the Cape Fear Associations met at Shady Grove Baptist Church. The Churches of Bladen County were called to a meeting later in October at Browns Creek Baptist Church to discuss the organization of a Bladen County Association. Delegates at the meeting decided to organize. On November 7, 1892, delegates from the churches of Bladen County met at the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Lisbon, and organized the Bladen County Baptist Association. In the Historical Table this meeting is designated the First Annual Session. We will be featuring the last fifteen (15) Sessions.

Session	Year	Church	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher
100.	1991	Lisbon Elizabethtown	Charles Little	Myrtle Lockamy	Paul Forrester Carroll Fonvielle
101.	1992	Zion Hill Cypress Creek	Jerry Beck	Myrtle Lockamy	Earl Farthing Michael Thompson
102.	1993	Sandy Grove White Oak	Jerry Beck	Marjorie Smith	Dwight Cooper Jerry Beck
103.	1994	Suggs Grove Northside	Jerry Beck	Marjorie Smith	David Rutland Sidney Britt
104.	1995	Tar Heel Dublin	David Rutland	Virginia Gause	Sidney Britt James Brooks
105.	1996	Hickory Grove Cypress Creek	David Rutland	Virginia Gause	James Brooks Clyde Coates
106.	1997	Center Road Friendship	Michael Thompson	Virginia Gause	Bruce Cannon Robert Boone
107.	1998	Galeed Clarkton, First	Michael Thompson	Virginia Gause	Oren Honeycutt Dewey Jackson
108.	1999	Zion Hill White Lake	Darryll Hester	Virginia Gause	Steve Butler Richard Smith
109.	2000	Bladenboro, First Elizabethtown	Darryll Hester	Virginia Gause	Dewey Jackson Orborn Gibson
110.	2001	Bethel Sandy Grove	Gene Brisson	Virginia Gause	Jerry Beck Don Coley
111.	2002	Cypress Creek Love Grove	Gene Brisson	Virginia Gause	Richard Smith Randy Andrews
112.	2003	Butters Shady Grove	Richard Smith	Virginia Gause	Randy Andrews Warren Hill
113.	2004	Galeed Northside	Richard Smith	Virginia Gause	J.S. (Bud) Parrish Lorenzo Torres
114.	2005	Friendship Whites Creek	Dewey Jackson	Virginia Gause	Marty Dupree, BSC

Congregation and Member Info

Bladen Association

Legend: 1 -- Total Membership 2 -- Resident Membership 4 -- Other Additions 5 - New Member Training 6 -- Year Organized 7 -- Year Pastor Came 8-- Location (A-J) 9 -- AM Worship Att. 10 -- Church-Type Missions Started 11 -- Church-Type Missions Operating 12 -- Lost/Unchurched 13 -- Assoc. Mis on % Basis 14 -- Intercessory Prayer Race -- Racial Ethnic Group

CONGREGATION	C/M	1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Abbottsburg	C	153	87	0	0	1870	1996	A	25	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Beards Chapel	C	115	62	6	0	1888	2000	A	38	0	0 N	N	Y		1
Bethel	C	327	219	6	0	1881	2005	A	102	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Bladenboro First Bap	C	324	285	4	0	1911	2003	C	200	0	0 N	N	Y		1
Briar Branch	C	133	85	0	0	1845	2004	A	54	0	0 Y	N	N		1
Butters	C	149	149	0	0	1932	2005	B	65	0	6 N	Y	N		1
Center Road	C	388	263	0	0	1885	1994	A	140	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Christ Community	C	49	45	0	0	1987	1987	A	45	1	1 Y	Y	Y		1
Clarkton First	C	320	184	1	0	1884	2005	C	100	0	0 N	Y	Y		1
Council	C	78	34	0	0	1912	2003	A	18	0	0 N	N	N		1
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	34	34	3	0	1853	1995	A	40	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Dublin First	C	413	413	8	0	1950	2000	C	325	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Elizabethtown	C	547	350	0	0	1903	1996	D	250	0	0 N	Y	Y		1
Faith	C	79	50	1	0	1978	2003	A	40	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Friendship	C	116	80	0	0	1976	1999	A	56	0	0 N	Y	N		1
Galeed	C	619	440	3	5	1876	2000	A	202	0	0 Y	N	Y		1
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	110	41	0	0	1995	1996	C	130	0	0 Y	N	Y		3
Grace	C	102	80	4	0	1957	2004	A	80	0	7 N	N	N		1
Hickory Grove	C	322	294	4	0	1834	2004	A	150	2	2 Y	Y	Y		1
Lisbon	C	153	95	2	0	1870	2001	B	90	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Love Grove	C	182	148	11	0	1872	1999	B	85	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	48	47	0	0	2002	2002	E	35	0	0 Y	N	Y		1
New Center	C	135	95	2	0	1947	1986	A	55	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Northside	C	249	241	3	0	1954	2003	C	122	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Peace	C	16	11	0	0	1989	1991	D	10	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Richardson	C	81	53	8	0	1914	1999	A	43	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Riverside	C	181	151	0	0	1924	1996	A	50	0	0 Y	N	Y		1
Sandy Grove	C	284	200	0	0	1873	1999	A	58	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Shady Grove	C	241	210	2	0	1885	2003	A	55	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Suggs Grove	C	176	123	0	0	1832	na	A	38	2	2 Y	Y	Y		1
Tar Heel	C	324	210	0	0	1872	2002	A	109	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
West, Bladenboro	C	233	98	0	0	1917	2003	C	40	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
White Lake	C	259	123	7	0	1832	1989	A	70	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
White Oak	C	229	124	5	0	1859	2004	A	74	0	0 Y	N	Y		1
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	275	227	3	7	1914	2003	A	65	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Zion Hill	C	188	133	2	0	1885	20003	A	83	0	0 Y	Y	Y		1
Total:		**7,632**	**5,484**	**85**	**12**				**3,142**	**5**	**18**				

Baptism Info

Bladen Association

Legend: 3 -- Baptisms Total 3a -- Baptisms 0-5 3b -- Baptisms 6-8 3c -- Baptisms 9-11 3d -- Baptisms 12-17 3e -- Baptisms 18-29 3f -- Baptisms 30-59 3g -- Baptisms

CONGREGATION	C/M	3	3a	3b	3c	3d	3e	3f	3g
Abbottsburg	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beards Chapel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bethel	C	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Bladenboro First Bap	C	7	0	1	2	1	1	1	1
Briar Branch	C	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Butters	C	3	0	0	1	2	0	0	0
Center Road	C	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Christ Community	C	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Clarkton First	C	4	0	0	1	2	0	1	0
Council	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dublin First	C	8	0	1	3	4	0	0	0
Elizabethtown	C	18	0	1	3	10	0	3	1
Faith	C	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Friendshlp	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Galeed	C	5	0	0	3	0	1	1	0
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	14	0	0	0	0	14	0	0
Grace	C	6	0	0	4	0	1	1	0
Hickory Grove	C	4	0	0	0	2	0	1	1
Lisbon	C	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Love Grove	C	11	0	0	9	0	0	2	0
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	12	0	0	0	0	5	4	3
New Center	C	5	0	1	1	0	0	3	0
Northside	C	5	0	0	2	0	1	2	0
Peace	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Richardson	C	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Riverside	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sandy Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shady Grove	C	13	0	2	7	4	0	0	0
Suggs Grove	C	8	0	2	0	5	0	1	0
Tar Heel	C	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
West, Bladenboro	C	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	1
Total:		**155**	**0**	**14**	**43**	**36**	**27**	**24**	**11**

Sunday School Info - Enrollment

Bladen Association

Legend: 15 -- Total SS Enrollment 15a -- SS 0-5 15b -- SS 6-11 15c -- SS 12-17 15d -- SS 18-24 15e -- SS 25-34 15f -- SS 35-54 15g -- SS 55 up 15h -- SS General Officers 15i -- Other Bible Study 16 -- SS Avg Weekly Attendance 17 -- Non-Cong Members 18 -- Vacation Bible School

CONGREGATION	C/M	15	15a	15b	15c	15d	15e	15f	15g	15h	15i	16	17	18
Abbottsburg	C	39	0	0	3	1	0	4	6	4	0	25	3	0
Beards Chapel	C	73	4	4	5	4	7	11	10	2	9	30	2	33
Bethel	C	133	19	4	20	20	0	33	0	3	0	81	0	92
Bladenboro First Bap	C	278	23	30	19	44	28	38	37	6	8	160	17	131
Briar Branch	C	59	5	10	5	3	4	12	7	4	0	34	0	61
Butters	C	89	6	11	14	7	10	13	10	3	0	65	9	84
Center Road	C	145	17	24	16	0	28	13	26	7	0	93	0	170
Christ Community	C	40	5	3	1	0	5	6	15	1	0	20	4	31
Clarkton First	C	136	10	15	17	8	2	14	14	4	0	70	9	76
Council	C	22	0	4	1	0	0	11	0	1	0	12	0	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	34	4	9	2	4	0	5	3	2	0	27	0	43
Dublin First	C	283	24	19	36	9	50	37	55	4	0	173	0	292
Elizabethtown	C	334	25	34	38	16	15	49	74	24	4	151	82	125
Faith	C	44	4	3	7	0	4	8	9	1	0	17	0	23
Friendship	C	45	2	6	5	1	1	9	10	3	0	35	4	47
Galeed	C	346	20	47	53	27	46	83	37	3	0	176	20	220
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	96	20	9	11	12	9	29	0	3	3	130	0	0
Grace	C	173	20	24	29	11	12	48	14	2	0	80	51	100
Hickory Grove	C	153	15	15	21	16	14	29	22	2	1	91	0	85
Lisbon	C	64	8	5	2	1	9	10	20	3	0	44	1	68
Love Grove	C	115	6	21	15	4	13	25	21	1	0	75	0	128
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	35	10	0	1	2	2	7	2	10	0	25	0	0
New Center	C	81	4	5	15	6	14	16	12	2	0	55	5	57
Northside	C	134	23	19	16	10	14	18	16	3	0	102	0	200
Peace	C	9	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	7	0	0
Richardson	C	46	1	4	8	3	2	11	9	0	0	23	8	40
Riverside	C	52	9	10	8	3	11	0	11	0	0	12	0	50
Sandy Grove	C	95	6	5	4	6	2	17	5	2	0	62	0	45
Shady Grove	C	101	4	8	20	8	8	9	23	13	0	50	8	92
Suggs Grove	C	100	3	4	5	1	2	20	25	5	0	50	8	0
Tar Heel	C	178	9	27	20	5	15	44	40	2	0	119	9	182
West, Bladenboro	C	57	1	5	5	0	3	12	9	2	0	46	0	0
White Lake	C	83	13	2	13	13	12	10	8	3	0	29	4	57
White Oak	C	78	9	9	5	3	3	26	9	2	0	56	0	128
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	80	9	13	12	10	8	13	5	4	0	48	3	143
Zion Hill	C	81	3	11	4	3	7	8	15	5	0	58	12	111
Total:		**3,911**	**341**	**419**	**456**	**261**	**360**	**700**	**579**	**136**	**25**	**2,331**	**259**	**2,914**

Discipleship Training Info

Bladen Association

Legend: 19 -- Total Ongoing Discipleship Training 19a -- Ongoing Preschool B-5 19b -- Ongoing Child 6-11 19c -- Ongoing Youth 12-17 19d -- Ongoing Adult 18-up 19e -- DT Gen. Officers 20 -- Total Short-Term DT 20a -- Short-Term Preschool 20b -- Short-Term Children 20c -- Short-Term Youth 20d -- Short-Term Adults - Gen. Officers DTEN (19+20) -- Total DT Enrollment/Participation

CONGREGATION	C/M	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	DTEN
Abbottsburg	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beards Chapel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bethel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bladenboro First Bap	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Briar Branch	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butters	C	29	2	3	4	19	1	0	0	0	0	0	29
Center Road	C	73	4	15	18	33	3	0	0	0	0	0	73
Christ Community	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	16	16
Clarkton First	C	49	0	0	22	25	2	0	0	0	0	0	49
Council	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dublin First	C	29	2	0	25	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
Elizabethtown	C	170	15	20	60	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	170
Faith	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Friendship	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Galeed	C	160	3	11	20	123	3	0	0	0	0	0	160
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grace	C	68	9	12	15	30	2	0	0	0	0	0	68
Hickory Grove	C	104	8	11	6	78	1	0	0	0	0	0	104
Lisbon	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Love Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	128	6	23	17	82	128
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Center	C	45	3	5	10	25	2	0	0	0	0	0	45
Northside	C	62	8	12	11	29	2	30	2	3	0	25	92
Peace	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Richardson	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	C	13	0	10	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	13
Sandy Grove	C	42	2	5	4	29	2	0	0	0	0	0	42
Shady Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suggs Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tar Heel	C	69	8	10	16	32	3	0	0	0	0	0	69
West, Bladenboro	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White Lake	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White Oak	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	30	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Zion Hill	C	45	1	4	6	32	2	0	0	0	0	0	45
Total:		988	65	118	217	562	26	174	8	26	17	123	1,162

Music Ministry Info

Bladen Association

Legend: 21 -- Total Music Ministry Enrollment 21a -- Preschool 3-5 21b -- Children 6-11 21c -- Youth 12-17 21d -- Adult Choir 18-up 21e -- Other Music Groups

CONGREGATION	C/M	21	21a	21b	21c	21d	21e
Abbottsburg	C	9	0	0	0	9	0
Beards Chapel	C	22	2	4	2	14	0
Bethel	C	50	10	10	5	25	0
Bladenboro First Bap	C	62	11	25	0	26	0
Briar Branch	C	30	5	10	2	13	0
Butters	C	53	7	10	6	30	0
Center Road	C	40	0	13	12	15	0
Christ Community	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clarkton First	C	38	0	10	0	20	8
Council	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	13	0	4	1	8	0
Dublin First	C	160	15	30	30	60	25
Elizabethtown	C	228	12	15	30	35	136
Faith	C	29	4	3	7	15	0
Friendship	C	48	5	6	7	14	16
Galeed	C	138	5	12	30	55	36
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grace	C	32	3	7	6	16	0
Hickory Grove	C	76	9	10	15	39	3
Lisbon	C	36	6	8	4	18	0
Love Grove	C	45	0	0	0	20	25
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	5	0	0	0	5	0
New Center	C	41	3	6	10	22	0
Northside	C	55	8	12	11	24	0
Peace	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Richardson	C	28	0	0	1	19	8
Riverside	C	16	2	5	0	9	0
Sandy Grove	C	20	0	4	0	16	0
Shady Grove	C	45	6	10	14	15	0
Suggs Grove	C	20	0	0	4	16	0
Tar Heel	C	69	4	10	14	36	5
West, Bladenboro	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
White Lake	C	16	0	0	0	16	0
White Oak	C	38	10	9	5	14	0
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	24	0	0	6	18	0
Zion Hill	C	23	0	0	2	21	0
Total:		**1,509**	**127**	**233**	**224**	**663**	**262**

Missions Involvement

Bladen Association

Legend: 22 -- Miss. Project Participation 22a -- Local Community 22b -- State 22c -- US/Canada 22d -- International

CONGREGATION	C/M	22	22a	22b	22c	22d
Abbottsburg	C	0	0	0	0	0
Beards Chapel	C	0	0	0	0	0
Bethel	C	192	75	85	0	32
Bladenboro First Bap	C	625	225	200	0	200
Briar Branch	C	0	0	0	0	0
Butters	C	0	0	0	0	0
Center Road	C	175	75	40	0	60
Christ Community	C	0	0	0	0	0
Clarkton First	C	190	78	72	12	28
Council	C	0	0	0	0	0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	0	0	0	0	0
Dublin First	C	9	1	4	1	3
Elizabethtown	C	35	0	0	35	0
Faith	C	0	0	0	0	0
Friendship	C	48	24	24	0	0
Galeed	C	481	85	300	80	16
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	0	0	0	0	0
Grace	C	0	0	0	0	0
Hickory Grove	C	33	25	4	3	1
Lisbon	C	0	0	0	0	0
Love Grove	C	74	74	0	0	0
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	10	10	0	0	0
New Center	C	15	10	3	1	1
Northside	C	5	0	5	0	0
Peace	C	0	0	0	0	0
Richardson	C	2	0	0	0	2
Riverside	C	0	0	0	0	0
Sandy Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0
Shady Grove	C	95	15	0	20	60
Suggs Grove	C	20	10	8	0	2
Tar Heel	C	29	0	29	0	0
West, Bladenboro	C	0	0	0	0	0
White Lake	C	0	0	0	0	0
White Oak	C	19	17	0	1	1
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	0	0	0	0	0
Zion Hill	C	16	15	0	1	0
Total:		**2,073**	**739**	**774**	**154**	**406**

Financial - Missions

Bladen Association

Legend: 29 -- Cooperative Programs 30 -- Assoc. Missions 31 -- State Missions 32 -- Annie Armstrong 33 -- Lottie Moon
34-- Other SBC Miss. Exp. 35 -- Non-SBC Miss. Exp. TME -- Total Mission Expenditures (29-35)

CONGREGATION	C/M	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	TME
Abbottsburg	C	$5,140	$2,570	$0	$0	$392	$0	$0	$8,102
Beards Chapel	C	$1,386	$1,200	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$2,586
Bethel	C	$2,000	$2,700	$895	$1,200	$1,432	$3,180	$0	$11,407
Bladenboro First Bap	C	$24,864	$8,267	$105	$2,774	$3,394	$1,169	$4,765	$45,338
Briar Branch	C	$0	$400	$0	$0	$0	$0	$325	$725
Butters	C	$2,400	$2,400	$2,080	$1,520	$1,705	$3,936	$1,317	$15,358
Center Road	C	$46,563	$6,367	$0	$4,424	$4,043	$1,319	$9,654	$72,370
Christ Community	C	$0	$900	$0	$0	$151	$0	$3,337	$4,388
Clarkton First	C	$12,183	$4,386	$612	$726	$1,886	$676	$2,431	$22,900
Council	C	$300	$1,200	$100	$525	$725	$2,157	$0	$5,007
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	$0	$1,808	$904	$904	$904	$0	$0	$4,520
Dublin First	C	$13,983	$8,806	$200	$4,360	$2,829	$3,220	$2,520	$35,917
Elizabethtown	C	$22,000	$8,400	$430	$484	$1,230	$0	$26,550	$59,094
Faith	C	$200	$860	$0	$0	$0	$500	$1,275	$2,835
Friendship	C	$970	$1,961	$0	$122	$138	$0	$2,679	$5,870
Galeed	C	$30,000	$7,500	$3,346	$3,227	$7,902	$59,759	$34,023	$145,757
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	$0	$703	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$703
Grace	C	$0	$0	$0	$92	$140	$0	$0	$232
Hickory Grove	C	$8,500	$3,070	$710	$1,435	$1,597	$1,129	$2,460	$18,901
Lisbon	C	$2,372	$1,682	$0	$923	$1,101	$0	$7,212	$13,289
Love Grove	C	$420	$1,560	$0	$0	$373	$822	$2,350	$5,525
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	$0	$100	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$100
New Center	C	$1,000	$1,000	$1,000	$1,000	$1,000	$500	$500	$6,000
Northside	C	$9,919	$2,480	$0	$1,904	$2,095	$0	$3,491	$19,889
Peace	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Richardson	C	$0	$500	$0	$0	$245	$0	$0	$745
Riverside	C	$0	$1,000	$0	$1,147	$1,153	$4,196	$3,245	$10,741
Sandy Grove	C	$6,000	$3,900	$0	$1,525	$3,814	$0	$0	$15,239
Shady Grove	C	$5,500	$4,150	$0	$1,258	$3,820	$1,392	$3,866	$19,986
Suggs Grove	C	$1,260	$2,502	$300	$1,648	$698	$250	$0	$6,658
Tar Heel	C	$8,271	$8,271	$4,413	$1,603	$2,503	$2,300	$3,300	$30,661
West, Bladenboro	C	$1,000	$2,000	$500	$535	$603	$2,000	$0	$6,638
White Lake	C	$3,438	$3,438	$200	$245	$650	$0	$200	$8,171
White Oak	C	$1,000	$1,800	$50	$290	$954	$635	$4,309	$9,038
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	$0	$922	$738	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,660
Zion Hill	C	$7,575	$4,000	$2,000	$2,360	$2,229	$2,400	$6,700	$27,264
Total:		**$218,244**	**$102,803**	**$18,583**	**$36,231**	**$49,706**	**$91,539**	**$126,509**	**$643,615**

Financial - General

Bladen Association

Legend: 26 -- Undesignated Gifts 27 -- Designated Gifts 28 -- Other Receipts TRE -- Total Receipts (26+27+28) 36 -- Value Cong. Property 37 -- Cong.Debt

CONGREGATION	C/M	26	27	28	TRE	36	37
Abbottsburg	C	$51,420	$7,947	$0	$59,367	$380,000	$0
Beards Chapel	C	$32,151	$5,258	$0	$37,409	$200,000	$0
Bethel	C	$110,008	$1,360	$140	$111,508	$1,500,000	$0
Bladenboro First Bap	C	$288,213	$56,192	$0	$344,405	$1,500,000	$0
Briar Branch	C	$43,103	$0	$0	$43,103	$210,000	$0
Butters	C	$97,860	$4,370	$0	$102,230	$450,000	$35,300
Center Road	C	$220,509	$38,464	$8,047	$267,020	$400,000	$0
Christ Community	C	$20,375	$14,509	$4,139	$39,022	$200,000	$3,628
Clarkton First	C	$135,371	$7,519	$3,290	$146,180	$600,000	$0
Council	C	$28,494	$7,164	$0	$35,658	$69,000	$0
Cypress Creek Missionary	C	$45,220	$1,875	$0	$47,095	$500,000	$0
Dublin First	C	$271,328	$91,609	$28,033	$390,970	$1,750,000	$0
Elizabethtown	C	$453,248	$83,432	$31,245	$567,925	$6,000,000	$298,300
Faith	C	$30,469	$100	$0	$30,569	$100,000	$0
Friendship	C	$66,032	$2,679	$0	$68,711	$570,000	$0
Galeed	C	$228,353	$77,946	$6,966	$313,265	$1,800,000	$0
Good Shepherd Hispanic	M	$0	$4,000	$0	$4,000	$0	$0
Grace	C	$75,194	$13,884	$0	$89,078	$250,000	$120,000
Hickory Grove	C	$134,882	$51,414	$3,919	$190,215	$3,500,000	$0
Lisbon	C	$71,014	$9,070	$628	$80,712	$330,000	$0
Love Grove	C	$88,268	$0	$0	$88,268	$750,000	$0
New Beginnings Fellowship	C	$19,923	$2,536	$0	$22,459	$0	$1,100
New Center	C	$4,250	$8,500	$0	$12,750	$500,000	$0
Northside	C	$148,542	$19,889	$0	$168,431	$250,000	$0
Peace	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Richardson	C	$13,179	$21,016	$0	$34,195	$287,625	$0
Riverside	C	$86,869	$34,474	$650	$121,993	$350,000	$0
Sandy Grove	C	$100,523	$9,481	$0	$110,003	$1,655,000	$0
Shady Grove	C	$94,050	$10,336	$0	$104,386	$750,000	$0
Suggs Grove	C	$62,513	$4,799	$2,388	$69,700	$1,100,000	$4,425
Tar Heel	C	$157,438	$38,518	$75	$196,031	$1,570,000	$0
West, Bladenboro	C	$60,245	$12,522	$0	$72,767	$944,000	$18,557
White Lake	C	$68,576	$6,902	$0	$75,478	$500,000	$0
White Oak	C	$70,236	$12,682	$2,084	$85,002	$850,000	$0
White's Creek Baptist Church	C	$76,215	$664	$0	$76,879	$820,000	$0
Zion Hill	C	$163,631	$18,404	$835	$182,870	$265,000	$0
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